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For many years now laws have been passed, in New Zealand as in all other Western countries that little by little, erode away our privacy and rights. These laws usually come in under the guise of protecting us or our security from 'terror threat' and the like.

While many dismiss concerns about these laws coming into effect as paranoia, the fact is that the legislation that is being passed has some pretty nasty capabilities if activated and not dormant.

Governments have demonstrated a propensity for always moving to utilise the full extent of capabilities that are allowed for under legislation.

"Anyone who trades liberty for security deserves neither liberty nor security"

- Benjamin Franklin

Finger In Every Pie: How CIA Produces Our 'News' And Entertainment

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In so many respects, 'our' media is not *our own*. In the past, *21WIRE* has detailed various aspects of [Operation Mockingbird](#) and other CIA-related media pursuits, as well as many other [bogus news stories](#) which appear on a regular basis.



Claire Danes as Carrie Mathison in Homeland

Previously, we showed how the Hollywood hit [ZeroDarkThirty](#) was a completely fabricated piece of fiction which was passed on to the public as a "true story". Also, the popular TV series, *Homeland*, is one of the most obvious propaganda productions in recent years, designed to reinforce many flawed assumptions and false beliefs about the world outside of the United States.

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Did you know that the CIA has actually produced a number of high-profile 'history' TV programs that appear on US and world media channels?

Yes, it's true...

Finger in Every Pie: How CIA Became Involved in Entertainment Business

The Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) has a finger in every pie including... the entertainment business: it turns out that the CIA has played a role in producing at least 22 entertainment projects; investigative journalist Adam Johnson argues that by doing this the US intelligence agency puts American media workers at risk.

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It seems that the US Central Intelligence Agency follows the theory that says that there are no little or insignificant things. The intelligence agency has long been keeping an eye on the Western entertainment industry and has even had a role in producing popular fiction movies and documentaries.



In his [article](#) for Fair.org media watchdog investigative journalist Adam Johnson argues that this type of collaboration may cast a shadow over the image of US media workers and even put them at risk.

"For years, artists from across the entertainment industry - actors, authors, directors, producers, screenwriters, and others - have been in touch with the CIA to gain a better understanding of our intelligence mission," the CIA public website [reads](#).

According to the website, the CIA's goal in engaging with the industry is to ensure "an accurate portrayal of the men and women of the CIA, and the skill, innovation, daring, and commitment to public service that defines them."



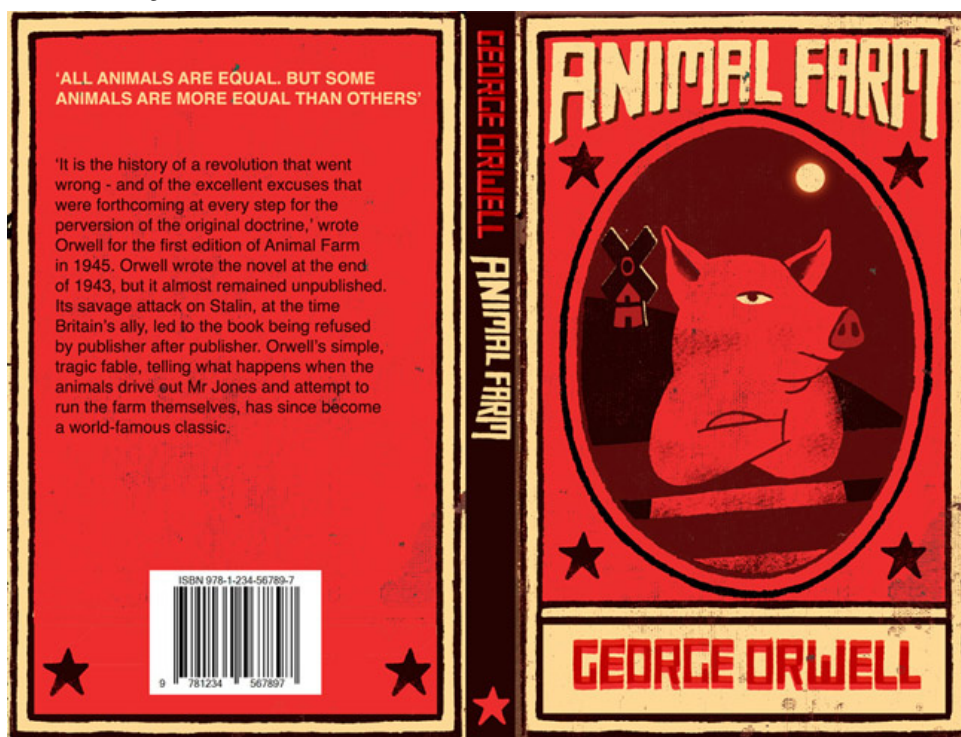
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Johnson cites the recent [article](#) by Jason Leopold of VICE News who shed some light on how deep the CIA's Office of Public Affairs (OPA) has been involved in US popular entertainment projects.

"Vice's Jason Leopold has uncovered documents showing the CIA had a role in producing up to 22 entertainment 'projects,' including History Channel documentary Air America: The CIA's Secret Airline, Bravo's Top Chef: Covert Cuisine, the USA Network series Covert Affairs and the BBC documentary The Secret War on Terror-along with two fictional feature films about the CIA that both came out in 2012," Johnson narrates.

He points out that the CIA has a long history of "helping" to produce films and documentaries.

"The Agency, for example, secretly bought the rights to Animal Farm after Orwell's death in 1950 and produced an animated adaptation centered on demonizing the Soviet Union rather than capturing Orwell's broader critiques of power," the investigative journalist underscores.



And, yes, the CIA and other intelligence agencies are also recruiting prominent media figures.

In September 2015 the conservative group Judicial Watch released a 2012 [CIA inspector general's audit](#) covering the CIA's OPA cooperation with the entertainment industry.

The report specifically criticizes the CIA's OPA for excessive engaging with the media figures, in particular for inviting entertainment industry workers to secret briefings and other events.

"There was an instance in which the CIA allowed an entertainment industry representative to attend a CIA event in which information classified at the SECRET level was discussed," the document reads.

Johnson emphasizes that it is no secret that Hollywood players took part in various covert operations. He refers to the fact that legendary film producer Arnon Milchan worked for years for Israeli intelligence dealing arms and obtaining sensitive technical information for defense programs.



Sydney Pollack in 'Eyes Wide Shut'

Remarkably, in his interview with BBC in 2013 Milchan [admitted](#) that Academy Award-winning director Sydney Pollack had also been involved in covert intelligence operations.

"In such revelations, an important point is often overlooked: The CIA assisting or posing as filmmakers, journalists and other creative roles-a practice the Agency reserves the right to partake in to this day-puts actual filmmakers, journalists and other creators at risk overseas," Johnson emphasizes.

According to the investigative journalist, it is dangerous to "blur" the lines between covert intelligence and legitimate media activities, because it puts the media workers at risk of being considered CIA associates.

"The spectacle of Hollywood teaming up with US intelligence agencies to make propaganda - especially given the dodgy historical context - no doubt stokes the fears of countries already hostile to Americans within their borders," he explains.

"Every time this type of behavior is normalized, or shrugged off, or made sexy, real journalists and real filmmakers overseas are put further at risk," Johnson concludes.

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I reported honestly the facts of the US coup that overthrew the elected Ukrainian government in 2014 (see my columns in February and March 2014). However, the US print and TV media, led by the New York Times, lied through their teeth.

Indeed, the "mainstream" US media functioned as agent and propagandist for the Washington neoconservatives who destroyed Ukrainian democracy and imposed massive suffering and death on Ukrainians.

There is no crime that the American pressites will not commit and no lie that they will not tell.

Yesterday (April 11, 2016) Robert Parry held the sordid pressites accountable:

[Several weeks before Ukraine's 2014 coup, U.S. Assistant Secretary of State Nuland had already picked Arseniy Yatsenyuk to be the future leader, but now "Yats" is no longer the guy, writes Robert Parry.](#)

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Tyranny And Free Speech

March 30 2016 | From: [BreakingViews](#)

Do you support free speech? How about free speech for climate change skeptics? For homophobes? For racists? For sexists? For white males? For even Donald Trump?



Those who defend free speech, as did the American Founding Fathers, understand it is not about defending speech you agree with, but defending speech you disagree with. Without free speech, there is no liberty.

The State Department diversity officer, John Robinson, has just warned the staff that they may be penalized for engaging in "microaggressions," which include jokes or other comments that someone who hears them may find offensive.

In a recent letter, he referred to a definition of microaggressions as:

"Everyday verbal, nonverbal and environmental slights, snubs or insults, whether intentional or unintentional, which communicate hostile, derogatory or negative messages to target persons."

In other words, whatever you hear may be considered a microaggression if you choose to be offended.

Such vague and infinitely elastic laws and regulations are the bread and butter of all totalitarian regimes.

Lavrentiy Beria (Joseph Stalin's head of the NKVD, a predecessor of the KGB) was quoted as saying to Stalin:

"You name the person and I will find the crime."



The "crime" of microaggression has already been used to stifle and prosecute speech by those who have contrary views in several left-leaning universities, and now it is coming to the federal government.

The climate change lobbyists have been increasingly aggressive in their attacks on free speech.

They seek to silence their critics, who have committed the "sin" of noting their many failed predictions.

George Mason University meteorologist Jagadish Shukla was the lead signatory of the letter sent to the president and attorney general asking them to use RICO (Racketeer Influenced and Corrupt Organizations Act) laws to prosecute;

"Corporations and other organizations that have knowingly deceived the American people about the risks of climate change."

Mr. Shukla "paid himself and his wife \$1.5 million from government climate grants for part-time work."

Other prominent global warming fear-mongers, who are on the government teat, have also called for "war crimes trials" and even the "execution" of some critics.

Even Attorney General Loretta Lynch said last week she has looked at the possibility of pursuing civil actions against so-called "climate change deniers."



The message: Don't look to the Obama administration to protect free speech. Which do you find more offensive, a person advocating socialism or a person telling jokes about one-eyed people?

Socialism is an ideology that has resulted in governments killing more than 200 million of their own citizens in the last century. It is based on coercion rather than liberty. It demands involuntary servitude. Socialist Bernie Sanders promises "free" stuff to his supporters to be paid for by the involuntary servitude of others - to which there will be no end.

Having spent considerable time in socialist countries and seen the human wreckage that results, I am offended by the ignorance or venality of those who engage in the microaggression of advocating socialism. Several decades ago, I lost an eye, and in the years since I have been told hundreds of "one-eyed" jokes, even by people who do not know me.

Rather than being offended, I have chosen to enjoy them. Offensive speech is totally subjective, and making it a crime is incompatible with a free society.

The Guardian, a left-wing British newspaper, published an article last year by a woman author titled;

"Why do women lie more than men?"

It reported on a new poll that *"suggests that women are twice as likely to lie as men."*

The article goes on to say: *"It may be irritating to be told, yet again, that women are more morally slippery than men (just as in Genesis)."*

The article goes on to cite several reasons why this may be true - including differences *"between masculine and feminine brains."*

All of this may or may not be nonsense, but in cases of women complaining about men engaging in "offensive" speech, it is most often assumed, without evidence, that the woman is telling the truth and the man is lying. In fact, men are frequently not allowed to know who their accuser is or what she claimed was said.

One of the most basic protections of liberty is the right of the accuser to know the specific charges against him or her and by whom. As a result, many innocent men are not given a fair hearing by the human resource departments in organizations and even sometimes by the courts.



The late well-regarded feminist, Joan Kennedy Taylor, argued in her book "What to Do When You Don't Want to Call the Cops: Or a Non-Adversarial Approach to Sexual Harassment" (Cato Institute) that it is important to understand that men and women perceive things quite differently, and that non-legal strategies which she describes can be far more effective and less damaging than legal remedies.

Law professor Catherine Ross has just written an important book, "Lessons in Censorship" (to be discussed at a Cato book forum on March 16), in which she argues that "the failure of schools to respect civil liberties betrays their educational function and threatens democracy."



The popularity of the verbally crude Donald Trump might, in part, be a reaction to the political correctness of the political class and timid leaders of organizations who have failed to defend freedom of speech.

Clinton Email Reveals: Google Sought Overthrow Of Syria's Assad + Robert Kennedy Jr. Just Dropped A Truth Bomb: 'Pipeline War' Is At The Roots Of Syrian Crisis

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Google in 2012 sought to help insurgents overthrow Syrian President Bashar Assad, according to State Department emails receiving fresh scrutiny this week.



Messages between former secretary of state Hillary Clinton's team and one of the company's executives detailed the plan for Google to get involved in the region.

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A story largely ignored by the corporate media reveals the tech company Google offered to help Secretary of State Clinton overthrow Bashar al-Assad by developing an app to track defections from the Syrian government.

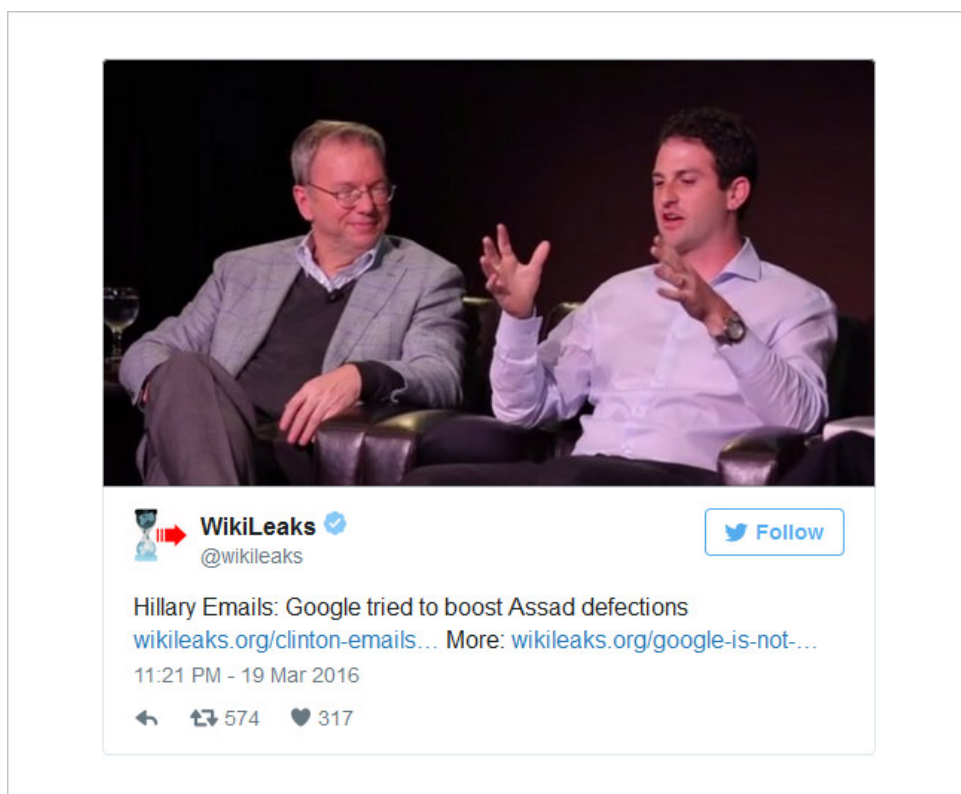
Jared Cohen, the head of what was then the company's "Google Ideas" division, [wrote](#) in a July 2012 email to several top Clinton officials.

"Please keep close hold, but my team is planning to launch a tool... that will publicly track and map the defections in Syria and which parts of the government they are coming from."

"Our logic behind this is that while many people are tracking the atrocities, nobody is visually representing and mapping the defections, which we believe are important in encouraging more to defect and giving confidence to the opposition," Cohen said, adding that the plan was for Google to surreptitiously give the tool to Middle Eastern media.

"Given how hard it is to get information into Syria right now, we are partnering with Al-Jazeera who will take

primary ownership over the tool we have built, track the data, verify it, and broadcast it back into Syria," he said.



You can read the email for yourself [here](#).

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The message was addressed to deputy secretary of state Bill Burns; Alec Ross, a senior Clinton advisor; and Clinton's deputy chief of staff, Jake Sullivan. Sullivan subsequently forwarded Cohen's proposal to Clinton, describing it as "a pretty cool idea."

Cohen worked as a member of the secretary of state's policy planning staff from 2006 to 2010, when he was hired to lead Google Ideas, but was tied to using social media to incite uprisings even before he left the department.

He once reportedly asked Twitter CEO Jack Dorsey to hold off of conducting system maintenance that officials believed could have impeded a brief 2009 uprising in Iran, and Julian Assange, who founded the secret-leaking website WikiLeaks, has for years referred to Cohen as Google's "director of regime change."

In her book *No Higher Honor* Condoleezza Rice spoke fondly of Cohen, describing him as a "young gun" and said his work in social media;



"Would pay off handsomely... when Twitter and Facebook became accelerants of democratic change in the Middle East."

Social media played a predominant role in the so-called "Arab Spring," the concerted effort by the State Department, the Endowment for Democracy, USAID, the International Republican Institute, the National Democratic Institute and Freedom House to violently overthrow governments in the Middle East and North Africa.

In addition to Google, Facebook and Twitter were also involved in the effort to undermine governments in the region.

In total, according to a [report in Indonesia's Jakarta Post](#), 180,000 people died as a result of the US-orchestrated Arab Spring, primarily in Libya, Syria and Yemen.

The exchange on Syria was highlighted by Wikileaks on Saturday. Earlier in the week, the site posted more than 30,000 emails that Clinton sent or received during her tenure leading the State Department.

Robert Kennedy Jr. Just Dropped A Truth Bomb: 'Pipeline War' Is At The Roots Of Syrian Crisis

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The individual is handicapped by coming face to face with a conspiracy so monstrous he cannot believe it exists. The mind simply has not come to a realization of the evil which has been introduced into our midst. It rejects even the assumption that human creatures could espouse a philosophy which must ultimately destroy all that is good and decent.

ROBERT KENNEDY JR. JUST DROPPED A TRUTH BOMB THAT WIL...  



Radio Sputnik discusses the origins of the Syrian crisis with Robert F. Kennedy Jr., attorney and nephew of US President John Fitzgerald Kennedy.

Kennedy writes that the US decided to remove Syrian President Bashar al-Assad from power after he refused to back a Qatari gas pipeline project. Sputnik also touched upon US foreign policy, the refugee crisis and why Donald Trump would be a better president than Ted Cruz and Marco Rubio.

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Seized Hager Material Destroyed, Attention Turns To Westpac

March 22 2016 | From: [NationalBusinessReview](#)

Nicky Hager's attention is turning towards Westpac Bank's handing over of his bank records after watching police smash 213 times a hard drive containing his material.



About 17 months after police raided the *Dirty Politics* author's home, Mr Hager and one of his lawyers, Steven Price, watched a hard drive and memory card containing copies of seized data get destroyed in the High Court at Auckland.

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The pair also collected a computer and other equipment taken by police during what Mr Hager called a "Rambo" raid, after it was last year ruled unlawful.

Mr Hager fought for two months to get permission for the media to watch the copies being destroyed, without success.

But afterwards, he said it was an "amazing day" and he felt like he was "watching history."

"We went down to the basement of the High Court building here, into this little narrow room, without lights on, and the police held torches around while one of the detectives, in fact the detective who was in charge of removing stuff from my house was there, while he destroyed the materials they had copied from the house."

Mr Hager says the detective took to the hard drive 213 times with a hammer, before cutting holes in it with a bolt-cutter.

But while he is "absolutely confident" the material was not tampered with while sitting at court, his attention now turns to other areas where he says the police were "tricky."

Mr Price says there will likely be a further hearing later this year regarding further aspects of the case.



"The main thing that's going on is the question whether it's lawful for the police to go to banks and get them to turn over someone's bank records, as they did with Nicky, without a court order."

That's something that might affect thousands of people."

Keith Locke: Hard To Spy Gains From Five Eyes

March 22 2016 | From: [Keith Locke](#)

This article of mine [Keith Locke - former Green MP] was published in the New Zealand Herald on 15 March 2016. It was in response to the report of Intelligence and Security Agencies Review, released on 9 March.



The intelligence services report by Sir Michael Cullen and Dame Patsy Reddy sheds more light on the GCSB's work with the Five Eyes network, but it also leaves several questions unanswered. Since the Snowden revelations there has been a concern that our Government Communications Security Bureau is involved in "mass surveillance". The Government has denied that it is.

Cullen and Reddy describe how the GCSB collects communications from the geo-stationary satellites visible from its station at Waihopai, near Blenheim.

First; the bureau:

"Intercepts a set of communications, most of which will be of no relevance and will be discarded without ever being examined by the [GCSB] analyst. This is the haystack in which the needle must be found."

Second;

"The GCSB filters intercepted material for relevance using search terms."

These search terms could be subjects or groups and could take in lot of people, some of whom would be New Zealanders.

Although the GCSB is supposed to be targeting "foreign intelligence" it is not illegal for it to retain Waihopai's intercept intelligence on New Zealanders if it was "incidentally obtained intelligence", that is, if the New Zealanders weren't a specific target, and the intelligence was relevant to the GCSB's security objectives.

In addition, many New Zealanders can legally be targeted by the GCSB as "foreign persons" if they are active in "foreign organisations", the definition of which is broad enough to include Greenpeace or the New Zealand subsidiary of a multi-national corporation. Former Prime Minister Jenny Shipley qualifies as a "foreign person" because she is on the board of the China Construction Bank.



The Cullen/Reddy report removes the problem of "mass surveillance" by saying it "suggests a kind of active monitoring of the general population that does not occur".. [not true].

However, I don't think any critic of government surveillance has ever envisaged the surveillance going that far **[not true]**.

An over-the-top definition of mass surveillance avoids the reality of a mass collection of communications data at Waihopai and the possibility that the international phone calls or emails of any New Zealander could be caught in the net, accidentally or not. In theory, their communications could be subsequently analysed by a GCSB operative.

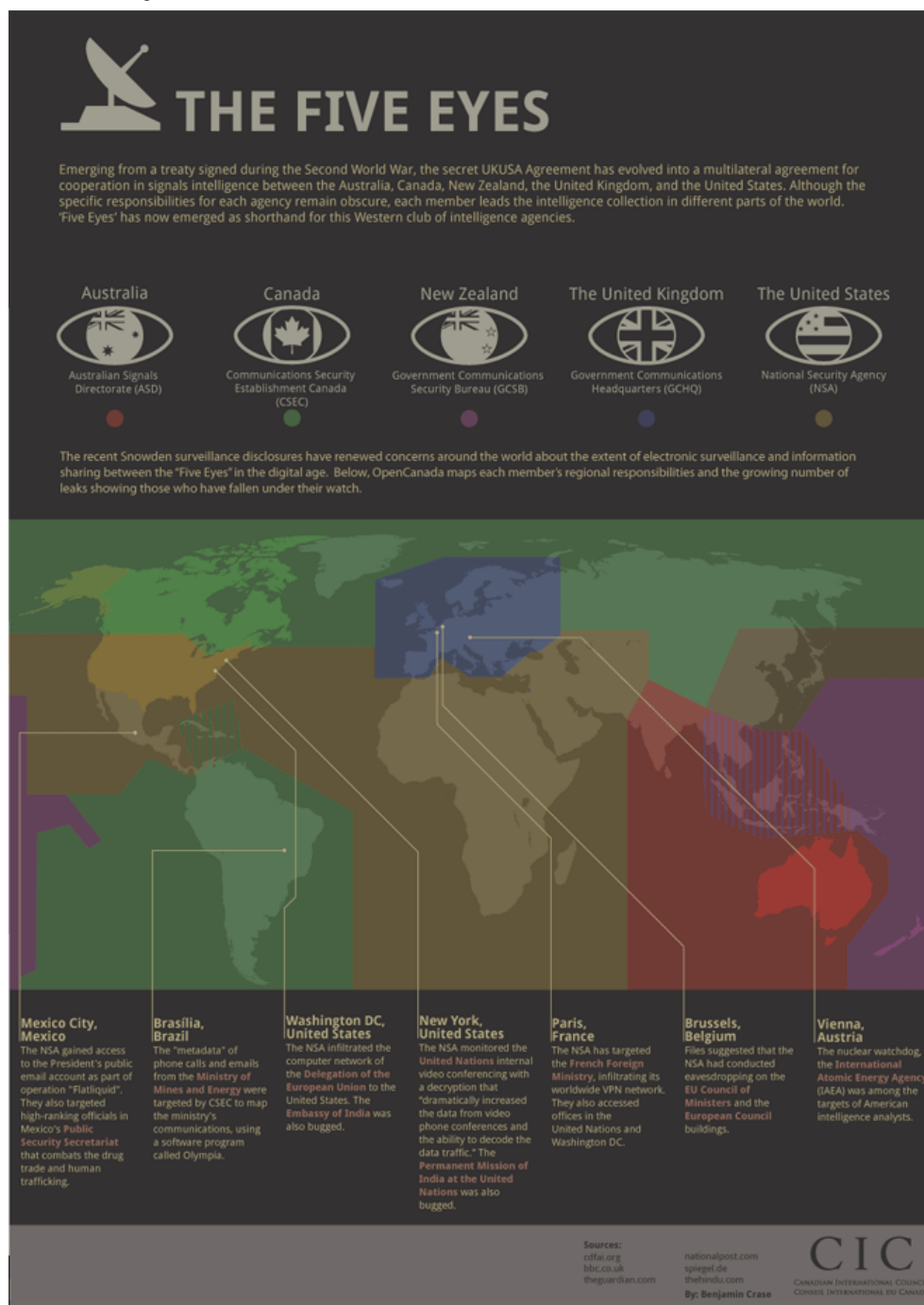
The next question is what happens to the "haystack" of communications collected at the Waihopai spy station. The report says that most of these communications "will be of no relevance and will be discarded without ever being examined by an analyst".



They may be discarded by the analyst, but to what extent are they stored, either here or overseas, for later mining by the GCSB or its Five Eyes partners? We know that the US National Security Agency has access to raw communications from its Five Eyes partners, and that it stores billions of communications for later analysis.

This is relevant to the concern, correctly raised by Cullen and Reddy, that close co-operation with Five Eyes partners "creates a risk of some loss of independence, both operationally and potentially also in relation to our intelligence, defence and foreign policy settings". Our national interests "do not and cannot exactly coincide with those of any other country".

The reality is that when New Zealand is sharing raw communications data with other Fives Eyes partners some of the intelligence they glean from it will be used for foreign policy objectives which are not the same as New Zealand's.



But this seems to be a secondary consideration to the net benefit Cullen and Reddy say New Zealand receives from Five Eyes intelligence sharing. It is hard to judge this as any benefits are largely invisible to the public.

Have any terrorist plots been found? Not as far as we know. Have our trade interests been advanced? No one has pointed out how. Has our diplomacy been assisted? I can't see any evidence.

Yet the downside of New Zealand's participation in Five Eyes surveillance is substantial. There was a cool reception in Beijing when the Snowden papers revealed the GCSB's spying on China. Joining intelligence forces with America against China is hardly the way to optimise our trade with that important country.

New Zealand's ambassador was called in to the Brazilian foreign ministry when it was revealed the GCSB had been gathering Five Eyes intercept data on Brazilian Roberto Azevedo in an unsuccessful attempt to stop him heading off our Trade Minister Tim Groser to become Director-General of the WTO.



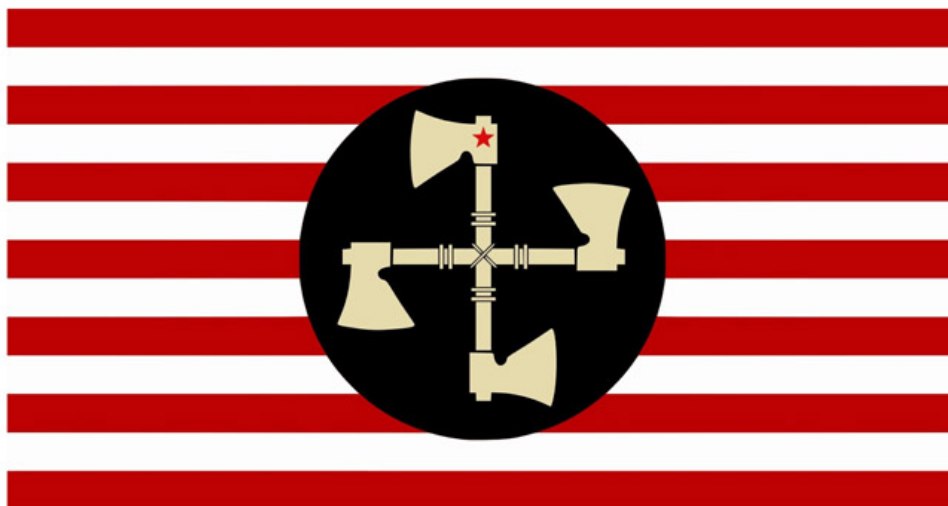
Yes, we need to be concerned about possible terrorist activity. But do we need to be in the Five Eyes to detect any plots? The reality is that the police and intelligence forces of friendly nations share information on terrorism (and other international crime) regardless of who is in or out of the Five Eyes.

I don't think Cullen and Reddy make much of a case for us to stay in this five-nation spy network.

The New Mind Control: "Subliminal Stimulation"; Controlling People Without Their Knowledge

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The internet has spawned subtle forms of influence that can flip elections and manipulate everything we say, think and do.



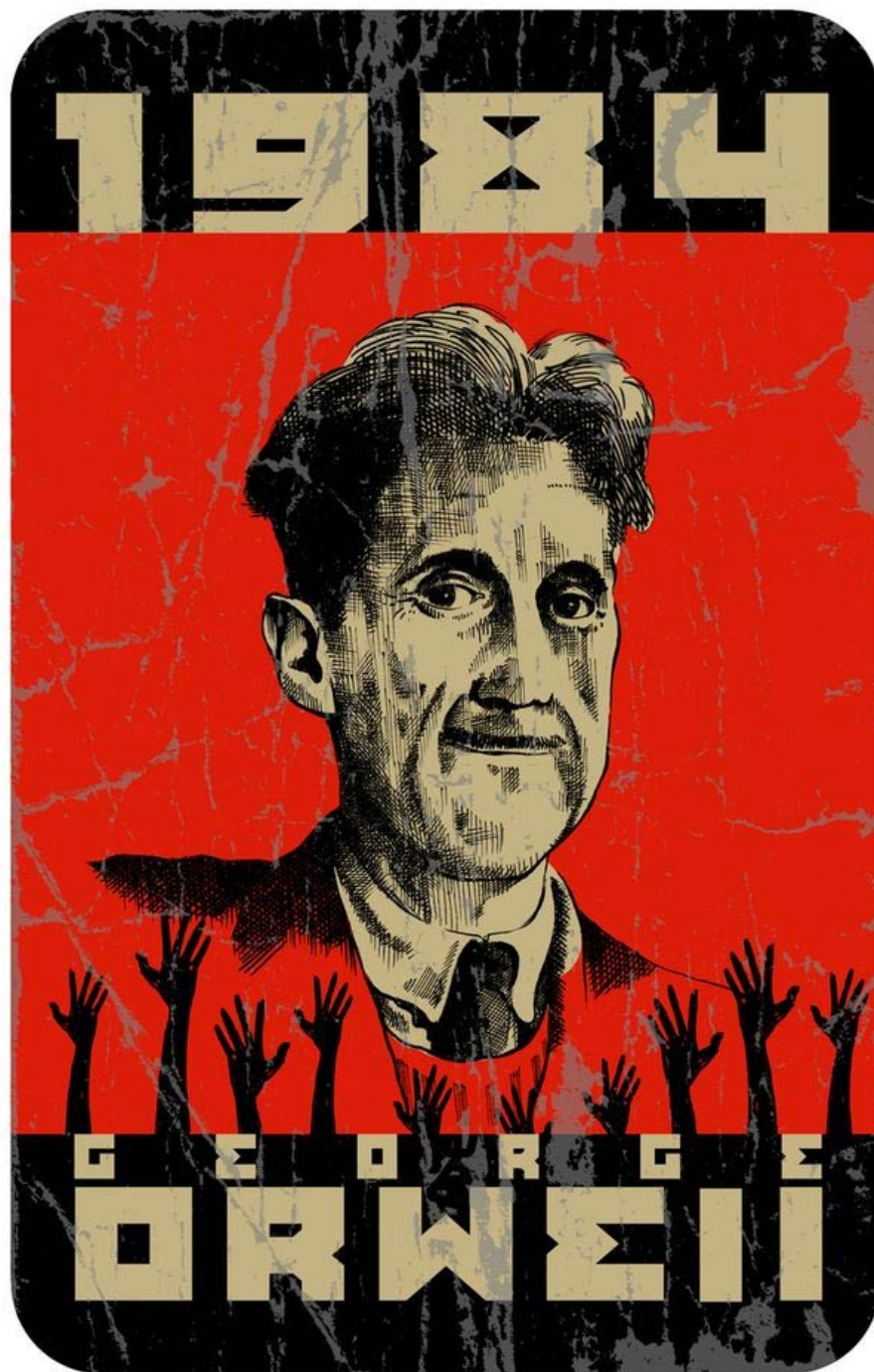
Over the past century, more than a few great writers have expressed concern about humanity's future. In *The Iron Heel* (1908), the American writer Jack London pictured a world in which a handful of wealthy corporate titans – the 'oligarchs' – kept the masses at bay with a brutal combination of rewards and punishments. Much of humanity lived in virtual slavery, while the fortunate ones were bought off with decent wages that allowed them to live comfortably – but without any real control over their lives.

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In *We* (1924), the brilliant Russian writer Yevgeny Zamyatin, anticipating the excesses of the emerging Soviet Union, envisioned a world in which people were kept in check through pervasive monitoring.

The walls of their homes were made of clear glass, so everything they did could be observed. They were allowed to lower their shades an hour a day to have sex, but both the rendezvous time and the lover had to be registered first with the state.

In *Brave New World* (1932), the British author Aldous Huxley pictured a near-perfect society in which unhappiness and aggression had been engineered out of humanity through a combination of genetic engineering and psychological



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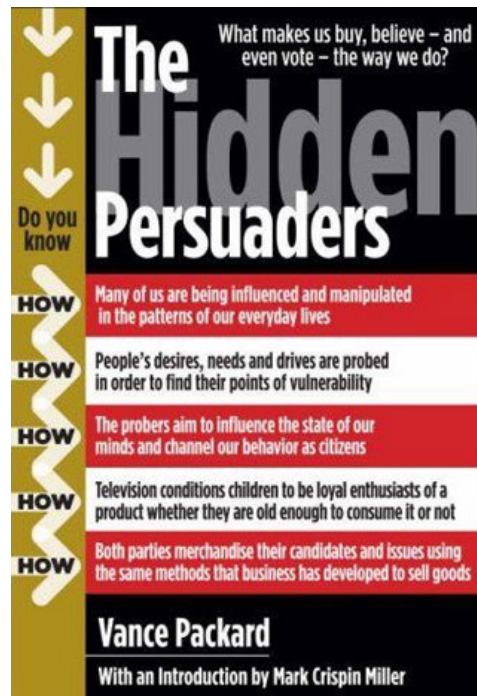
And in the much darker novel *1984* (1949), Huxley's compatriot George Orwell described a society in which thought itself was controlled; in Orwell's world, children were taught to use a simplified form of English called Newspeak in order to assure that they could never express ideas that were dangerous to society.

These are all fictional tales, to be sure, and in each the leaders who held the power used conspicuous forms of control that at least a few people actively resisted and occasionally overcame.

But in the non-fiction bestseller *The Hidden Persuaders* (1957) – recently released in a 50th-anniversary edition – the American journalist Vance Packard described a 'strange and rather exotic' type of influence that was rapidly emerging in the United States and that was, in a way, more threatening than the fictional types of control pictured in the novels.

According to Packard, US corporate executives and politicians were beginning to use subtle and, in many cases, *completely undetectable* methods to change people's thinking, emotions and behaviour based on insights from psychiatry and the social sciences.

Most of us have heard of at least one of these methods: *subliminal stimulation*, or what Packard called 'subthreshold effects' – the presentation of short messages that tell us what to do but that are flashed so briefly we aren't aware we



have seen them.

In 1958, propelled by public concern about a theatre in New Jersey that had supposedly hidden messages in a movie to increase ice cream sales, the National Association of Broadcasters – the association that set standards for US television – amended its code to prohibit the use of subliminal messages in broadcasting.

In 1974, the Federal Communications Commission opined that the use of such messages was 'contrary to the public interest'.

Legislation to prohibit subliminal messaging was also introduced in the US Congress but never enacted.

Both the UK and Australia have strict laws prohibiting it.

Subliminal stimulation is probably still in wide use in the US – it's hard to detect, after all, and no one is keeping track of it – but it's probably not worth worrying about.

Research suggests that it has only a small impact, and that it mainly influences people who are already motivated to follow its dictates; subliminal directives to drink affect people only if they're already thirsty.

Packard had uncovered a much bigger problem, however – namely that powerful corporations were constantly looking for, and in many cases already applying, a wide variety of techniques for controlling people without their knowledge.

He described a kind of cabal in which marketers worked closely with social scientists to determine, among other things, how to get people to buy things they didn't need and how to condition young children to be good consumers – inclinations that were explicitly nurtured and trained in Huxley's *Brave New World*.



Guided by social science, marketers were quickly learning how to play upon people's insecurities, frailties, unconscious fears, aggressive feelings and sexual desires to alter their thinking, emotions and behaviour without any awareness that they were being manipulated.

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By the early 1950s, Packard said, politicians had got the message and were beginning to merchandise themselves using the same subtle forces being used to sell soap. Packard prefaced his chapter on politics with an unsettling quote from the British economist Kenneth Boulding:

"A world of unseen dictatorship is conceivable, still using the forms of democratic government."

Could this really happen, and, if so, how would it work?

The forces that Packard described have become more pervasive over the decades. The soothing music we all hear overhead in supermarkets causes us to walk more slowly and buy more food, whether we need it or not. Most of the vacuous thoughts and intense feelings our teenagers experience from morning till night are carefully orchestrated by highly skilled marketing professionals working in our fashion and entertainment industries.



Yes, New Zealand has a national chain of supermarkets that are actually called New World... where you can take your New World grocery Order - oh the irony

Politicians work with a wide range of consultants who test every aspect of what the politicians do in order to sway voters: clothing, intonations, facial expressions, makeup, hairstyles and speeches are all optimised, just like the packaging of a breakfast cereal.

Fortunately, all of these sources of influence operate competitively. Some of the persuaders want us to buy or believe one thing, others to buy or believe something else. It is the competitive nature of our society that keeps us, on balance, relatively free.

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But what would happen if new sources of control began to emerge that had little or no competition? And what if new means of control were developed that were far more powerful – and far more *invisible* – than any that have existed in the past? And what if new types of control allowed a handful of people to exert enormous influence not just over the citizens of the US but over most of the people on Earth?



It might surprise you to hear this, but these things have already happened.

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To understand how the new forms of mind control work, we need to start by looking at the search engine – one in particular: the biggest and best of them all, namely Google. The Google search engine is so good and so popular that the company's name is now a commonly used verb in languages around the world.

To 'Google' something is to look it up on the Google search engine, and that, in fact, is how most computer users worldwide get most of their information about just about everything these days.

They Google it.

Google has become the main gateway to virtually all knowledge, mainly because the search engine is so good at giving us exactly the information we are looking for, almost instantly and almost always in the first position of the list it shows us after we launch our search – the list of 'search results'.

That ordered list is so good, in fact, that about 50 per cent of our clicks go to the top two items, and more than 90 per cent of our clicks go to the 10 items listed on the first page of results; few people look at other results pages, even though they often number in the thousands, which means they probably contain lots of good information.



Google decides which of the billions of web pages it is going to include in our search results, and it also decides how to rank them. How it decides these things is a deep, dark secret – one of the best-kept secrets in the world, like the formula for Coca-Cola.

Because people are far more likely to read and click on higher-ranked items, companies now spend billions of dollars every year trying to trick Google's search algorithm – the computer program that does the selecting and ranking – into boosting them another notch or two. Moving up a notch can mean the difference between success and failure for a business, and moving into the top slots can be the key to fat profits.

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Late in 2012, I began to wonder whether highly ranked search results could be impacting more than consumer choices. Perhaps, I speculated, a top search result could have a small impact on people's opinions about things. Early in 2013, with my associate Ronald E Robertson of the [American Institute for Behavioral Research and Technology](#) in Vista, California, I put this idea to a test by conducting an experiment in which 102 people from the San Diego area were randomly assigned to one of three groups.

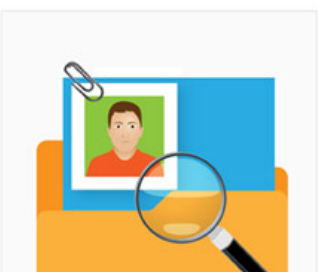
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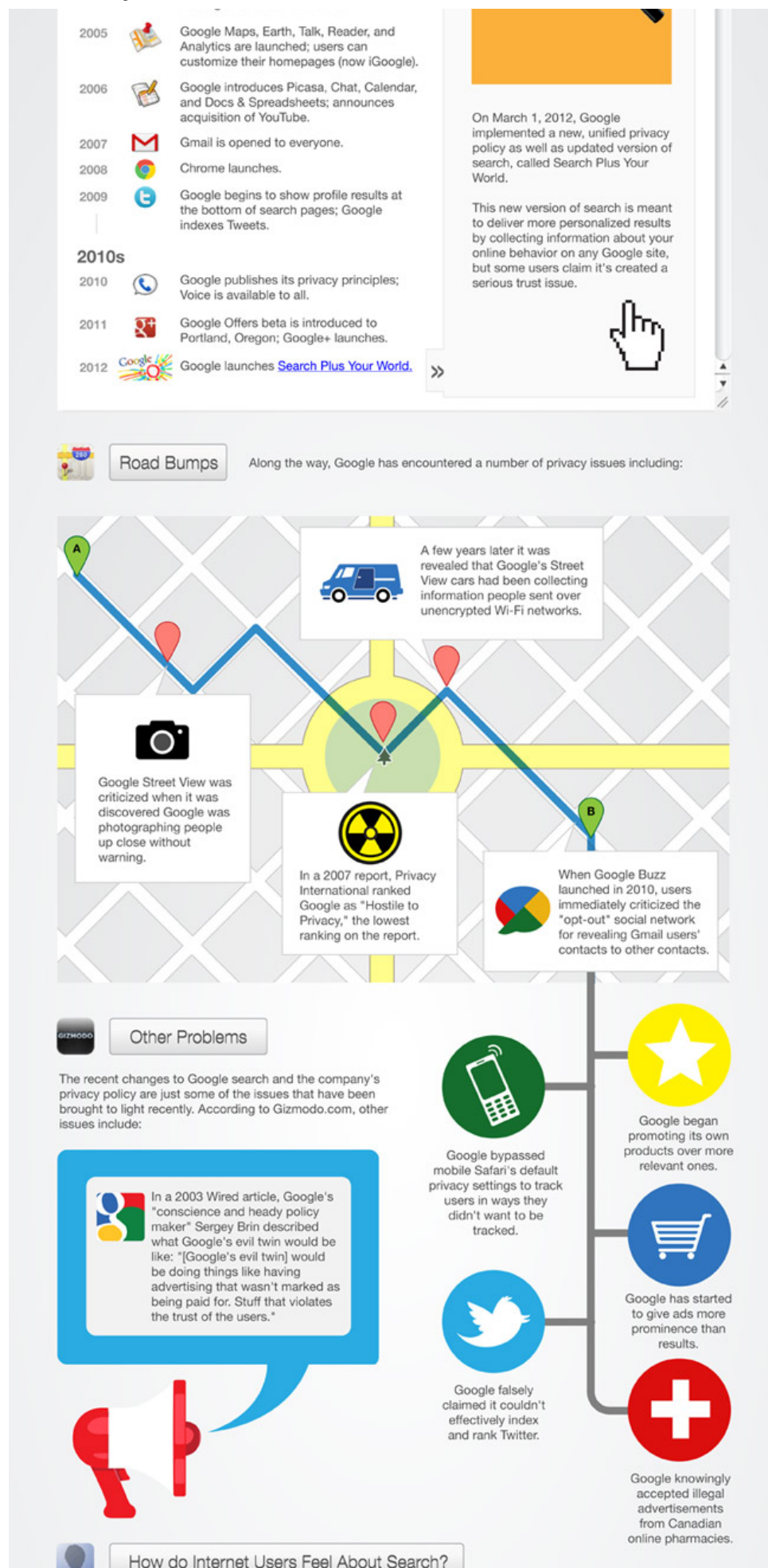
Google's History

"Don't be evil." Google's unofficial corporate motto was originally adopted as a company-wide belief as well as a jab to its competitors. However, Google has come a long way since it was incorporated in 1998, and that has some users wondering if the company's philosophy has changed.

Timeline

1990s		
1998		Google is incorporated.
2000s		
2000		Google Toolbar is released.
2001		Image Search launches; search index grows to 3 billion web documents.
2002		Google News launches.
2004		Google announces its IPO; search index grows to 8 billion items.



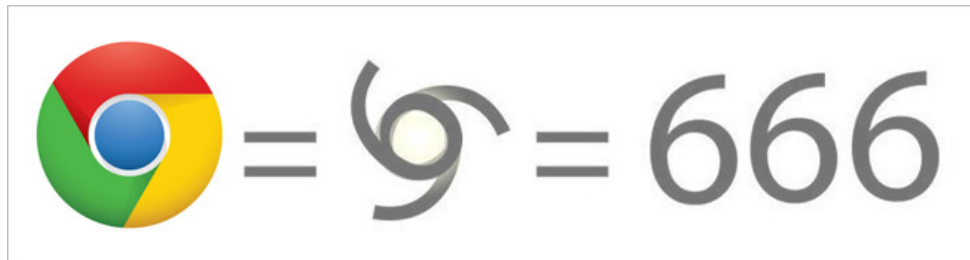




In one group, people saw search results that favoured one political candidate – that is, results that linked to web pages that made this candidate look better than his or her opponent. In a second group, people saw search rankings that favoured the opposing candidate, and in the third group – the control group – people saw a mix of rankings that favoured neither candidate. The same search results and web pages were used in each group; the only thing that differed for the three groups was the ordering of the search results.

To make our experiment realistic, we used real search results that linked to real web pages. We also used a real election – the 2010 election for the prime minister of Australia. We used a foreign election to make sure that our participants were 'undecided'. Their lack of familiarity with the candidates assured this. Through advertisements, we also recruited an ethnically diverse group of registered voters over a wide age range in order to match key demographic characteristics of the US voting population.

All participants were first given brief descriptions of the candidates and then asked to rate them in various ways, as well as to indicate which candidate they would vote for; as you might expect, participants initially favoured neither candidate on any of the five measures we used, and the vote was evenly split in all three groups.



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Then the participants were given up to 15 minutes in which to conduct an online search using 'Kadoodle', our mock search engine, which gave them access to five pages of search results that linked to web pages. People could move freely between search results and web pages, just as we do when using Google. When participants completed their search, we asked them to rate the candidates again, and we also asked them again who they would vote for.

We predicted that the opinions and voting preferences of 2 or 3 per cent of the people in the two bias groups – the groups in which people were seeing rankings favouring one candidate – would shift toward that candidate. What we actually found was astonishing.

The proportion of people favouring the search engine's top-ranked candidate increased by *48.4 per cent*, and all five of our measures shifted toward that candidate. What's more, 75 per cent of the people in the bias groups seemed to have been completely unaware that they were viewing biased search rankings. In the control group, opinions did not shift significantly.

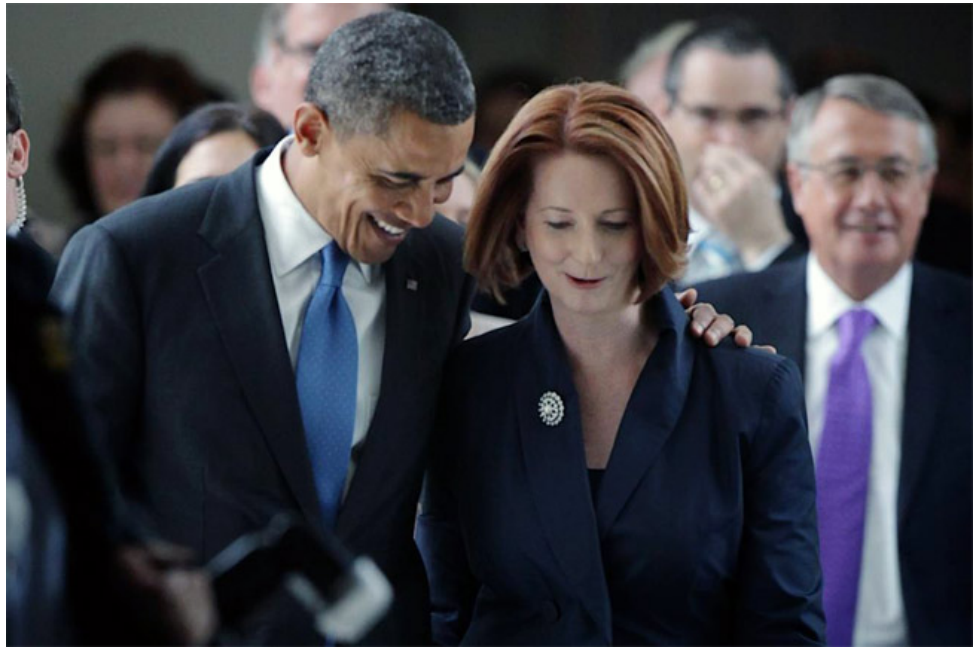


Google's own by-line was a piss take

This seemed to be a major discovery. The shift we had produced, which we called the Search Engine Manipulation Effect (or SEME, pronounced 'seem'), appeared to be one of the largest behavioural effects ever discovered. We did not immediately uncork the Champagne bottle, however. For one thing, we had tested only a small number of people, and they were all from the San Diego area.

Over the next year or so, we replicated our findings three more times, and the third time was with a sample of more than 2,000 people from all 50 US states. In that experiment, the shift in voting preferences was 37.1 per cent and even higher in some demographic groups – as high as 80 per cent, in fact.

We also learned in this series of experiments that by reducing the bias just slightly on the first page of search results – specifically, by including one search item that favoured the *other* candidate in the third or fourth position of the results – we could *mask* our manipulation so that few or even *no* people were aware that they were seeing biased rankings. We could still produce dramatic shifts in voting preferences, but we could do so *invisibly*.



Still no Champagne, though. Our results were strong and consistent, but our experiments all involved a foreign election – that 2010 election in Australia. Could voting preferences be shifted with real voters in the middle of a real campaign? We were skeptical. In real elections, people are bombarded with multiple sources of information, and they also know a lot about the candidates. It seemed unlikely that a single experience on a search engine would have much impact on their voting preferences.

To find out, in early 2014, we went to India just before voting began in the largest democratic election in the world – the Lok Sabha election for prime minister. The three main candidates were Rahul Gandhi, Arvind Kejriwal, and Narendra Modi. Making use of online subject pools and both online and print advertisements, we recruited 2,150 people from 27 of India's 35 states and territories to participate in our experiment. To take part, they had to be registered voters who had not yet voted and who were still undecided about how they would vote.

Participants were randomly assigned to three search-engine groups, favouring, respectively, Gandhi, Kejriwal or Modi. As one might expect, familiarity levels with the candidates was high – between 7.7 and 8.5 on a scale of 10. We predicted that our manipulation would produce a very small effect, if any, but that's not what we found.



This prick is all over the place

On average, we were able to shift the proportion of people favouring any given candidate by more than 20 per cent overall and more than 60 per cent in some demographic groups. Even more disturbing, 99.5 per cent of our participants showed no awareness that they were viewing biased search rankings – in other words, that they were being manipulated.

SEME's near-invisibility is curious indeed. It means that when people – including you and me – are looking at biased search rankings, *they look just fine*. So if right now you Google 'US presidential candidates', the search results you see will probably look fairly random, *even if they happen to favour one candidate*. Even I have trouble detecting bias in search rankings that I *know* to be biased (because they were prepared by my staff).



They can't get rid of you Donald

Yet our randomised, controlled experiments tell us over and over again that when higher-ranked items connect with web pages that favour one candidate, this has a dramatic impact on the opinions of undecided voters, in large part for the simple reason that people tend to click only on higher-ranked items.

This is truly scary: like subliminal stimuli, SEME is a force you can't see; but unlike subliminal stimuli, it has an enormous impact – like Casper the ghost pushing you down a flight of stairs.

We published a detailed [report](#) about our first five experiments on SEME in the prestigious *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences* (PNAS) in August 2015. We had indeed found something important, especially given Google's dominance over search.

Google has a near-monopoly on internet searches in the US, with 83 per cent of Americans specifying Google as the search engine they use most often, according to the [Pew Research Center](#). So if Google favours one candidate in an election, its impact on undecided voters could easily decide the election's outcome.



Keep in mind that we had had only one shot at our participants. What would be the impact of favouring one candidate in searches people are conducting over a period of weeks or months before an election? It would almost certainly be much larger than what we were seeing in our experiments.

Other types of influence during an election campaign are balanced by competing sources of influence – a wide variety of newspapers, radio shows and television networks, for example – but Google, for all intents and purposes, has no competition, and people trust its search results implicitly, assuming that the company's mysterious search algorithm is entirely objective and unbiased.

This high level of trust, combined with the lack of competition, puts Google in a unique position to impact elections. Even more disturbing, the search-ranking business is entirely unregulated, so Google could favour any candidate it likes without violating any laws. [Some courts](#) have even ruled that Google's right to rank-order search results as it pleases is protected as a form of free speech.

Does the company ever favour particular candidates? In the 2012 US presidential election, Google and its top executives donated more than \$800,000 to President Barack Obama and just \$37,000 to his opponent, Mitt Romney.



And in 2015, a team of researchers from the University of Maryland and elsewhere [showed](#) that Google's search results routinely favoured Democratic candidates.

Are Google's search rankings really biased? An [internal report](#) issued by the US Federal Trade Commission in 2012 concluded that Google's search rankings routinely put Google's financial interests ahead of those of their competitors, and anti-trust actions currently under way against Google in both the [European Union](#) and [India](#) are based on similar findings.

In most countries, 90 per cent of online search is conducted on Google, which gives the company even more power to flip elections than it has in the US and, with internet penetration increasing rapidly worldwide, this power is growing.

In our *PNAS* article, Robertson and I calculated that Google now has the power to flip upwards of *25 per cent of the national elections in the world* with no one knowing this is occurring.

In fact, we estimate that, with or without deliberate planning on the part of company executives, Google's search rankings have been impacting elections for years, with growing impact each year. And because search rankings are ephemeral, they leave no paper trail, which gives the company complete deniability.



Power on this scale and with this level of invisibility is unprecedented in human history. But it turns out that our discovery about SEME was just the tip of a very large iceberg.

Recent [reports](#) suggest that the Democratic presidential candidate Hillary Clinton is making heavy use of social media to try to generate support – Twitter, Instagram, Pinterest, Snapchat and Facebook, for starters. At this writing, she has 5.4 million followers on Twitter, and her staff is tweeting several times an hour during waking hours. The Republican frontrunner, Donald Trump, has 5.9 million Twitter followers and is tweeting just as frequently.

Is social media as big a threat to democracy as search rankings appear to be?

Not necessarily.

When new technologies are used competitively, they present no threat. Even though the platforms are new, they are generally being used the same way as billboards and television commercials have been used for decades: you put a

billboard on one side of the street; I put one on the other. I might have the money to erect more billboards than you, but the process is still competitive.

What happens, though, if such technologies are misused by the companies that own them? A [study](#) by Robert M Bond, now a political science professor at Ohio State University, and others published in *Nature* in 2012 described an ethically questionable experiment in which, on election day in 2010, Facebook sent 'go out and vote' reminders to more than 60 million of its users.



The reminders caused about 340,000 people to vote who otherwise would not have. Writing in the [New Republic](#) in 2014, Jonathan Zittrain, professor of international law at Harvard University, pointed out that, given the massive amount of information it has collected about its users, Facebook could easily send such messages only to people who support one particular party or candidate, and that doing so could easily flip a close election – *with no one knowing that this has occurred*. And because advertisements, like search rankings, are ephemeral, manipulating an election in this way would leave no paper trail.

Are there laws prohibiting Facebook from sending out ads selectively to certain users?

Absolutely not; in fact, targeted advertising is how Facebook makes its money.

Is Facebook currently manipulating elections in this way? No one knows, but in my view it would be foolish and possibly even improper for Facebook *not* to do so. Some candidates are better for a company than others, and Facebook's executives have a fiduciary responsibility to the company's stockholders to promote the company's interests.

The Bond study was largely ignored, but [another Facebook experiment](#), published in 2014 in *PNAS*, prompted protests around the world. In this study, for a period of a week, 689,000 Facebook users were sent news feeds that contained either an excess of positive terms, an excess of negative terms, or neither.



Those in the first group subsequently used slightly more positive terms in their communications, while those in the second group used slightly more negative terms in their communications. This was said to show that people's 'emotional states' could be deliberately manipulated on a massive scale by a social media company, an idea that many people found disturbing. People were also upset that a large-scale experiment on emotion had been conducted without the explicit consent of any of the participants.

Facebook's consumer profiles are undoubtedly massive, but they pale in comparison with those maintained by Google, which is collecting information about people 24/7, using [more than 60 different observation platforms](#) – the search engine, of

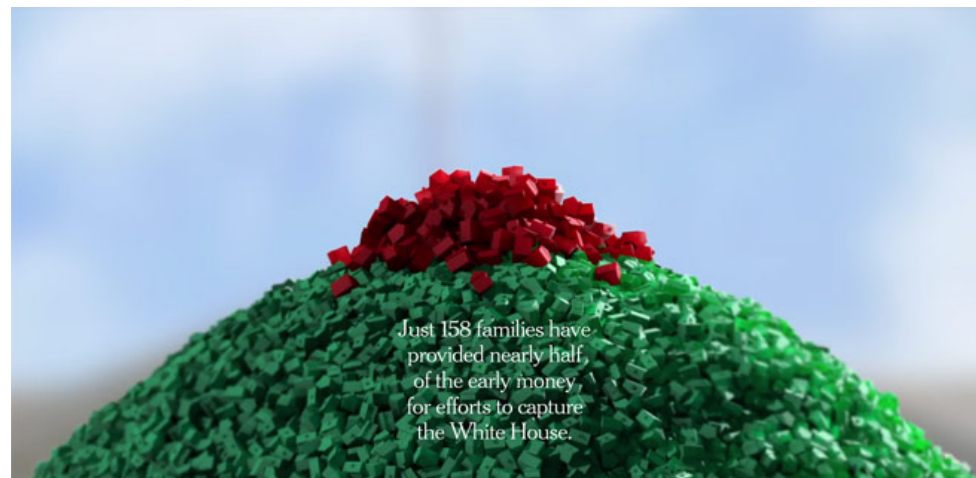
course, but also Google Wallet, Google Maps, Google Adwords, Google Analytics, Chrome, Google Docs, Android, YouTube, and on and on.

Gmail users are generally oblivious to the fact that Google stores and analyses every email they write, even the drafts they never send – as well as all the *incoming* email they receive from both Gmail and non-Gmail users.

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According to Google's [privacy policy](#) – to which one assents whenever one uses a Google product, even when one has not been informed that he or she is using a Google product – Google can share the information it collects about you with almost anyone, including government agencies. But never with *you*. Google's privacy is sacrosanct; yours is nonexistent.

Could Google and 'those we work with' (language from the privacy policy) use the information they are amassing about you for nefarious purposes – to manipulate or coerce, for example? Could inaccurate information in people's profiles (which people have no way to correct) limit their opportunities or ruin their reputations?



Certainly, if Google set about to fix an election, it could first dip into its massive database of personal information to identify just those voters who are undecided. Then it could, day after day, send customised rankings favouring one candidate to *just those people*. One advantage of this approach is that it would make Google's manipulation extremely difficult for investigators to detect.

Extreme forms of monitoring, whether by the KGB in the Soviet Union, the Stasi in East Germany, or Big Brother in 1984, are essential elements of all tyrannies, and technology is making both monitoring and the consolidation of surveillance data easier than ever.

By 2020, China will have put in place the most ambitious government monitoring system ever created – a single database called the [Social Credit System](#), in which multiple ratings and records for all of its 1.3 billion citizens are recorded for easy access by officials and bureaucrats. At a glance, they will know whether someone has plagiarised schoolwork, was tardy in paying bills, urinated in public, or blogged inappropriately online.



As Edward Snowden's revelations made clear, we are rapidly moving toward a world in which both governments and corporations – sometimes working together – are collecting massive amounts of data about every one of us every day, with few or no laws in place that restrict how those data can be used.

When you combine the data collection with the desire to control or manipulate, the possibilities are endless, but perhaps the most frightening possibility is the one expressed in Boulding's assertion that an 'unseen dictatorship' was possible 'using the forms of democratic government'.

Since Robertson and I submitted our initial report on SEME to *PNAS* early in 2015, we have completed a sophisticated

series of experiments that have greatly enhanced our understanding of this phenomenon, and other experiments will be completed in the coming months. We have a much better sense now of why SEME is so powerful and how, to some extent, it can be suppressed.



We have also learned something very disturbing – that search engines are influencing far more than what people buy and whom they vote for. We now have evidence suggesting that on virtually all issues where people are initially undecided, search rankings are impacting almost every decision that people make.

They are having an impact on the opinions, beliefs, attitudes and behaviours of internet users worldwide – entirely without people's knowledge that this is occurring.

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This is happening with or without deliberate intervention by company officials; even so-called 'organic' search processes regularly generate search results that favour one point of view, and that in turn has the potential to tip the opinions of millions of people who are undecided on an issue. In one of our recent experiments, biased search results shifted people's opinions about the value of fracking by 33.9 per cent.

Perhaps even more disturbing is that the handful of people who do show awareness that they are viewing biased search rankings shift *even further* in the predicted direction; simply knowing that a list is biased doesn't necessarily protect you from SEME's power.

Similarly, we modify the precision and recall estimates:

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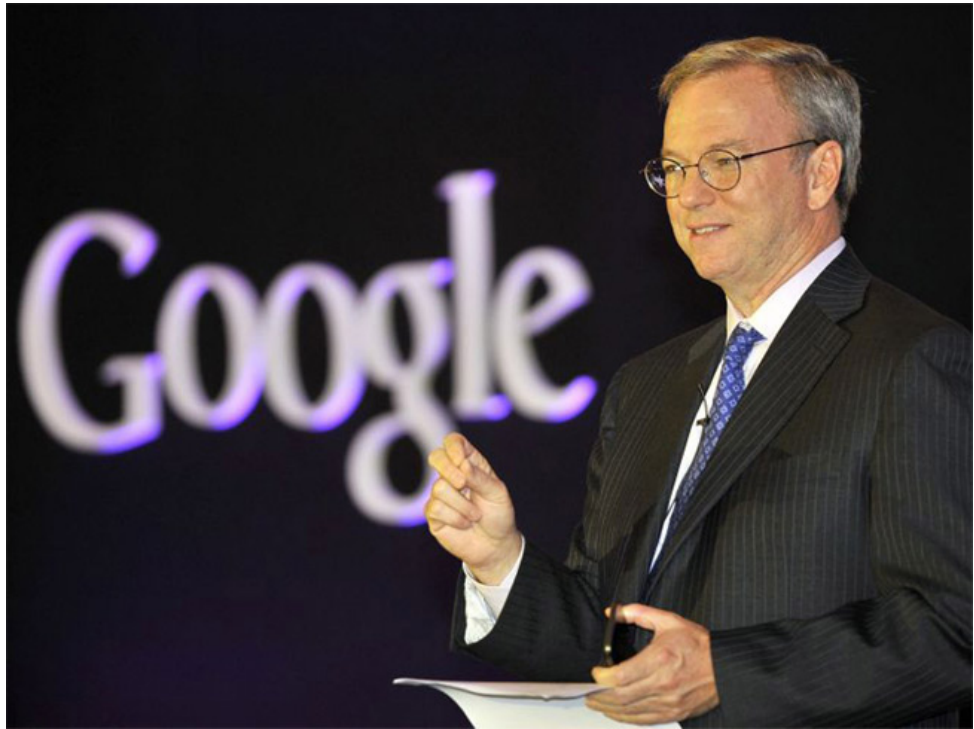
Remember what the search algorithm is doing: in response to your query, it is *selecting* a handful of webpages from among the billions that are available, and it is *ordering* those webpages using secret criteria.

Seconds later, the decision you make or the opinion you form – about the best toothpaste to use, whether fracking is safe, where you should go on your next vacation, who would make the best president, or whether global warming is real – is determined by that short list you are shown, even though you have no idea how the list was generated.

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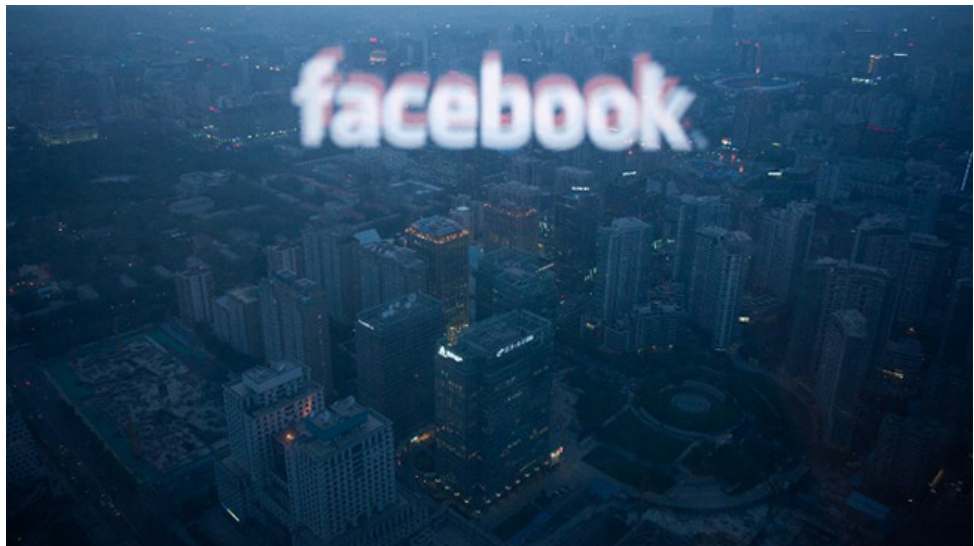
Meanwhile, behind the scenes, a consolidation of search engines has been quietly taking place, so that more people are using the dominant search engine even when they think they are not. Because Google is the best search engine, and because crawling the rapidly expanding internet has become prohibitively expensive, more and more search engines are drawing their information from the leader rather than generating it themselves.

The most recent deal, revealed in a [Securities and Exchange Commission filing](#) in October 2015, was between Google and Yahoo! Inc.



Looking ahead to the November 2016 US presidential election, I see clear signs that Google is backing Hillary Clinton. In April 2015, Clinton hired [Stephanie Hannon](#) away from Google to be her chief technology officer and, a few months ago, Eric Schmidt, chairman of the holding company that controls Google, [set up a semi-secret company](#) – The Groundwork – for the specific purpose of putting Clinton in office. The formation of The Groundwork prompted Julian Assange, founder of Wikileaks, to dub Google Clinton's '[secret weapon](#)' in her quest for the US presidency.

We now estimate that Hannon's old friends have the power to drive between 2.6 and 10.4 million votes to Clinton on election day with no one knowing that this is occurring and without leaving a paper trail. They can also help her win the nomination, of course, by influencing undecided voters during the primaries. Swing voters have always been the key to winning elections, and there has never been a more powerful, efficient or inexpensive way to sway them than SEME.



We are living in a world in which a handful of high-tech companies, sometimes working hand-in-hand with governments, are not only monitoring much of our activity, but are also invisibly controlling more and more of what we think, feel, do and say.

The technology that now surrounds us is not just a harmless toy; it has also made possible undetectable and untraceable manipulations of entire populations – manipulations that have no precedent in human history and that are currently well beyond the scope of existing regulations and laws. The new hidden persuaders are bigger, bolder and badder than anything Vance Packard ever envisioned. If we choose to ignore this, we do so at our peril.

Unleashing GCSB To Spy On Kiwis One More Step On Road To Police State

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The Anti-Bases Campaign is appalled by the recommendations made in the newly-released Intelligence Agencies review.



The authors have proposed overthrowing a basic tenet of spy operations in this country and paved the way for a massive expansion in surveillance of NZ citizens.

This is just another retrograde step on the road to a police state.

Previous restrictions on domestic spying by the Government Communications Security Bureau (GCSB) are to be removed; the basic democratic protection against the spies turning their cutting edge mass surveillance machinery on domestic life is to be eliminated.

The report justifies the increasing power of the agencies by proposing more transparency and oversight.

Ironically, Sir Michael Cullen, the key author of the report, is the man who exemplifies the inadequacy of trying to monitor these organisations as he was the person who, when he was in Government, continually gave false assurances denying illegal activity in the past.



The glaring deficiency in the review is the complete lack of consideration of the activities of the Five Eyes system which are the major part of the GCSB activities.

The super-secret group carries out operations designed to give Washington the means to manipulate political, economic and diplomatic activities around the world.

NZ's part in this is despicable and reprehensible.

Any suggestion that oversight by a handful of Kiwi commissioners will reveal the truth about the operations being carried out by Five Eyes is laughable.

New Zealand, instead, needs to follow the example of Canada, one of our four Big Brothers in Five Eyes. Canada has suspended sharing Canadians' metadata with its Five Eyes partners until it is satisfied about safeguards.



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NZ can only restore its reputation in the world by closing down the Waihopai spy base and pulling out of the Five Eyes system.

Plus it needs to close down the SIS and transfer its functions to the Police who (theoretically at least) have to justify their actions in a court of law.

Oliver Stone Reveals Clandestine Meetings With Edward Snowden, NSA Worries

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“We moved to Germany, because we did not feel comfortable in the U.S.,” the director says about his upcoming movie about government whistle-blower Edward Snowden, played by Joseph Gordon-Levitt.



Fears of interference by the National Security Agency led Oliver Stone to shoot *Snowden*, his upcoming movie about government whistle-blower Edward Snowden, outside the United States.

“We moved to Germany, because we did not feel comfortable in the U.S.,” Stone said on March 6, speaking before an audience at the Sun Valley Film Festival in Idaho, in a Q&A moderated by The Hollywood Reporter’s Stephen Galloway.

“We felt like we were at risk here. We didn’t know what the NSA might do, so we ended up in Munich, which was a beautiful experience.”

Even there, problems arose with companies that had connections to the U.S., he said: “The American subsidiary says, ‘You can’t get involved with this; we don’t want our name on it.’ So BMW couldn’t even help us in any way in Germany.”

While in Sun Valley, the three-time Oscar winner held a private screening of *Snowden* for an invited audience of around two dozen. Those who attended the screening, at the former home of Ernest Hemingway, included actress Melissa Leo, who



Guests were required to sign non-disclosure agreements, but that did not prevent three of them from speaking to this reporter. All praised the work-in-progress. *"What he did that's so brilliant is, he gave this kid's whole back story, so you really like him,"* said one audience member.

When Stone (whose films include *Platoon*, *Born on the Fourth of July* and *Wall Street*) was first approached to make the movie, he hesitated. He had been working on another controversial subject, about the last few years in the life of Martin Luther King Jr., and did not immediately wish to tackle something that incendiary again.

"Glenn Greenwald [the journalist who worked with Poitras to break the Snowden story] asked me some advice and I just wanted to stay away from controversy," he said.

"I didn't want this. Be that as it may, a couple of months later, the Russian lawyer for Snowden contacts me via my producer. The Russian lawyer told me to come to Russia and wanted me to meet him. One thing led to another, and basically I got hooked."

In Moscow, Stone met multiple times with Snowden, who has been living in exile in Russia since evading the U.S. government's attempts to arrest him for espionage.

"He's articulate, smart, very much the same," he said. *"I've been seeing him off and on for a year - actually, more than that. I saw him last week or two weeks ago to show him the final film."*

He added: *"He is consistent: he believes so thoroughly in reform of the Internet that he has devoted himself to this cause... Because of the Russian hours, he stays up all night. He's a night owl, and he's always in touch [with the outside world], and he's working on some kind of constitution for the Internet with other people. So he's very busy."*

And he stays in that 70-percent-computer world. He's on another planet that way. His sense of humor has gotten bigger, his tolerance. He's not really in Russia in his mind - he's in some planetary position up there. And Lindsay Mills, the woman he's loved for 10 years - really, it's a serious affair - has moved there to be with him."

Spending time with Snowden, and researching what happened to him, Stone said, "It's an amazing story. Here's a young man, 30 years old at that time, and he does something that's so powerful. Who at 30 years old would do that, sacrificing his life in that way? We met with him many times in Moscow, and we did a lot more research, and we went ahead." He added, "I think he's a historical figure of great consequence."

Despite the director's involvement in the movie, which stars Joseph Gordon-Levitt as Snowden and Shailene Woodley as Mills, "No studio would support it," he said.

"It was extremely difficult to finance, extremely difficult to cast. We were doing another one of these numbers I had done before, where preproduction is paid for by essentially the producer and myself, where you're living on a credit card."

Eventually, financing came through from France and Germany. "The contracts were signed, like eight days before we started," he noted.

"It's a very strange thing to do [a story about] an American man, and not be able to finance this movie in America. And that's very disturbing, if you think about its implications on any subject that is not overtly pro-American."

They say we have freedom of expression; but thought is financed, and thought is controlled, and the media is controlled. This country is very tight on that, and there's no criticism allowed at a certain level. You can make movies about civil rights leaders who are dead, but it's not easy to make one about a current man."

Snowden Official Teaser Trailer (2015) - Joseph Gordon-Levitt Dram.. ⌚ ↗



Snowden opens in the U.S. on September 16.

U.S. Military Spending Millions To Make Cyborgs A Reality

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The U.S. military is spending millions on an advanced implant that would allow a human brain to communicate directly with computers.



If it succeeds, cyborgs will be a reality. The Pentagon's research arm, the Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency (DARPA), hopes the implant will allow humans to directly interface with computers, which could benefit people with aural and visual disabilities, such as veterans injured in combat.

The goal of the proposed implant is to "open the channel between the human brain and modern electronics" according to DARPA's program manager, Phillip Alvelda.

In January, DARPA announced it plans to spend up to \$62 million on the project, which is part of its Neural Engineering System Design program. The implant would be small -- no larger than one cubic centimeter, or roughly the size of two stacked nickels -- according to DARPA.

The implantable device aims to convert neurons in the brain into electronic signals and provide unprecedented "data-transfer bandwidth between the human brain and the digital world," according to a DARPA statement announcing the new project.



DARPA sees the implant as providing a foundation for new therapies that could help people with deficits in sight or hearing by "feeding digital auditory or visual information into the brain."

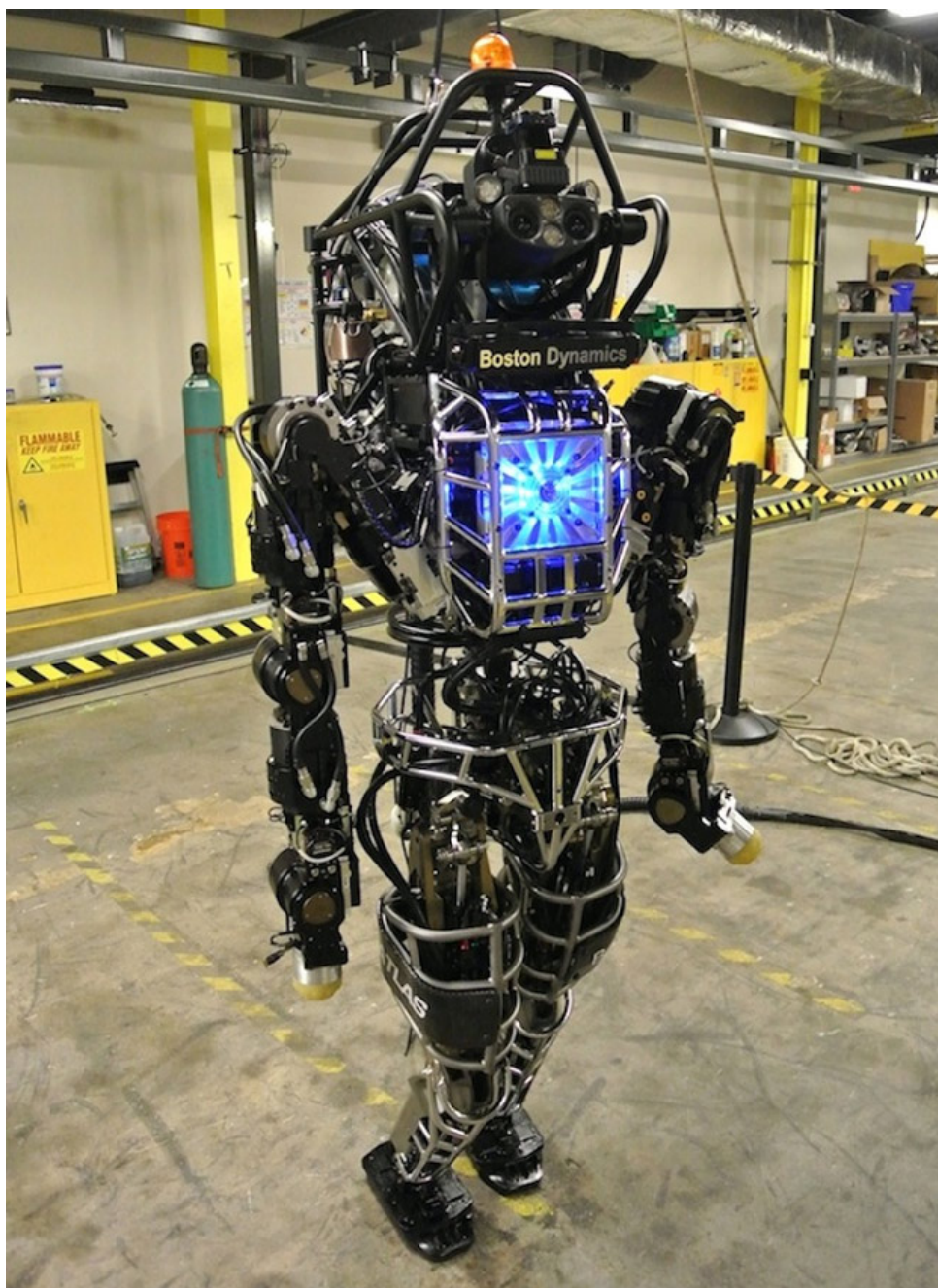
A spokesman for DARPA told CNN that the program is not intended for military applications.

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But some experts see such an implant as having the potential for numerous applications, including military ones, in the field of wearable robotics -- which aims to augment and restore human performance.

Conor Walsh, a professor of mechanical and biomedical engineering at Harvard University, told CNN that the implant would "change the game," adding that "in the future, wearable robotic devices will be controlled by implants."

Walsh sees the potential for wearable robotic devices or exoskeletons in everything from helping a medical patient recover from a stroke to enhancing soldiers' capabilities in combat.



Yep, they're doing Terminators too. And they aren't all so camp

The U.S. military is currently developing a battery-powered exoskeleton, the Tactical Assault Light Operator Suit, to provide superior protection from enemy fire and in-helmet technologies that boost the user's communications ability and vision.

The suits' development is being overseen by U.S. Special Operations Command.

In theory, the proposed neural implant would allow the military member operating the suit to more effectively control the armored exoskeleton while deployed in combat.

However, Steven Pinker, a cognitive scientist and professor of psychology at Harvard, was skeptical of the proposed innovation, calling the idea a "bunch of hype with no results." He told CNN, *"We have little to no idea how exactly the brain codes complex information"* and cited the problems from foreign objects triggering brain inflammation that can cause serious neurological issues.



And this weird shit - a Terminator cow?

Pinker described "neural enhancement" for healthy brains as being a "boondoggle," but he suggested that there could be some benefit for people suffering from brain-related diseases such as amyotrophic lateral sclerosis (ALS), also known as Lou Gehrig's disease.

In its announcement, DARPA acknowledged that an implant is still a long ways away, with breakthroughs in neuroscience, synthetic biology, low-power electronics, photonics and medical-device manufacturing needed before the device could be used.

DARPA plans to recruit a diverse set of experts in an attempt to accelerate the project's development, according to its statement announcing the project.

Pinker remained skeptical, however, telling CNN: *"My guess is that it's a waste of taxpayer dollars."*



Cashless Crisis: "With Digital Payments, Civilization Comes To An End Until Power Is Restored"

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As most of the Western world is [pushed into abandoning cash](#) and embracing a fully digital cashless grid, it is apparent how vulnerable populations will become in times of crisis.



If the power grid were to go down in a storm or an attack, it is readily apparent that the system of commerce would go down with it; payments would stop and desperate people would line up for help.

Related: [Marc Faber On Cashless Society Insanity And Why Wall Street Hates Gold](#)

Those with their own supplies, barter items and physical commodities will remain the most comfortable, but the very fabric of society could come unglued.

Will they really [ban cash](#) when so much could go wrong?

Paul-Martin Foss writes for the [Carl Menger Center](#):

"Cash is being displaced by credit and debit cards, which are themselves beginning to be displaced by new digital currencies and payment systems..."

But despite all the advances brought about by the digital revolution, there are still quite a few drawbacks. The most obvious is that it is reliant on electricity. One major hurricane knocking out power, a mid-summer brownout, or a hacker attack on the power grid could bring commerce to a halt.

With cash, transactions are still possible. With digital payments, civilization comes to an end until power is restored. Unless you have food stored or goods with which to barter, you're out of luck. Just imagine a city like New York with no power and no way to buy or sell anything. It won't be pretty.

[...]

With digital currencies such as Bitcoin, there is the problem that they are created out of thin air. One bitcoin represents the successful completion of a cryptographic puzzle, but all that means is that some computing power was used up to create a unique electronic file. That's all it is, just a series of ones and zeros.

There is nothing tangible about Bitcoin and, indeed, if you lose the hard drive on which you stored your bitcoins, those bitcoins are lost forever."

On top of that, the potential for manipulation and the built-in assault of surveillance and tracking is enough to cripple liberties in the world that is cementing its patterns around this new technology.



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What happens when online platforms don't like your speech or your rights? What happens if their policy blocks you from buying something – like a gun – that you have the right to buy, or prevents you from spending your money, potentially freezing your account without notice. Again, the [Menger Center](#) makes the point:

“Take a look at PayPal, for instance. PayPal’s terms of service forbid use of the service to buy or sell firearms, firearms parts, or firearms accessories. Many individuals who have used PayPal to sell firearms parts find their accounts frozen or shut down by PayPal.

Similar things have happened to gun stores having their bank accounts frozen or having their credit card payment processors refuse to process...

[...]

Cases such as this will only be more widespread in the future, especially as governments continue to pursue the war on cash. If cash is eliminated and electronic systems become the only way anyone can pay for anything, all it will take is a little bit of government pressure on payment system operators to stop processing payments for X or Y and voila, you can no longer buy X or Y.

What good is money in the bank if you can't use it to buy what you want? In fact, governments may dispense with pressure on payment systems and just monitor transactions as they occur, automatically rejecting payments for goods they don't want ...

Every transaction made electronically can be tracked and traced. If every purchase you make is done electronically, your entire purchase history is open to scrutiny.”

The [powerful banking lobby](#), of course, wants a digital cashless system, because it will enrich them with transaction fees and penalties, continue and expand fractional reserve lending, and give them the power to [monitor all the transactions](#), at detailed levels with data for every purchase. But despite this monitoring, money and transactions will not necessarily be more secure.

You cannot “hold” your money, you must be able to access it, and that depends upon authorization of the system. It can be hacked or erased in a split second.

Can you keep the financial system from [limiting your rights](#) and invading your privacy?

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And how would America under the digital grid – perhaps 10x worse than [Greece when the ATM's](#) are shut down, the banks closed, the grid off and cash eradicated, while the population is forced under the yoke.

Not only is this grid vulnerable, but it is also becoming unavoidable.

Read more:

[Banning Cash “Necessary to Give Central Banks More Power”](#)

[Cash Ban: Greeks Face “Permanent Cash Controls and Compulsory Use of Plastic Money”](#)

[Once Cash Is Banned They Will Be Able To Force You To Buy Products: “Just Tax Their Excess Account Balance”](#)

[Americans Face Impoverishing War on Cash: “More Big Banks Are Shunning Cash”](#)

[Want Cash? Next-Gen ATMs Demand Biometric Verification: “Smartphone and Eye Scan To Dispense Money”](#)



Reality Check: Why McAfee Says FBI Really Wants To End Encryption, Not Hack Just One iPhone

February 26 2016 | From: [TruthInMedia](#)

By now you know that the FBI is demanding and a federal magistrate judge is ordering [Apple](#) to build a backdoor to its operating system.



The Federal Bureau of Investigation says they need it for only one phone, only this one time. But nobody is buying that, including the man who says if that is true, he can do it.

This is a [Reality Check](#) you won't see anywhere else.

The case involves an iPhone belonging to one of the San Bernardino shooters, Syed Farook. Farook's iPhone, which was given to him by his government employer, is locked and the FBI says they can't get into it unless they get help from Apple.

So what exactly is the FBI asking for?



To be clear, Apple cannot extract information directly from Farook's - or anyone else's - iPhone. That is because all data on an iPhone is encrypted.

The security measures for iOS 8, which rolled out in 2014, ensure that no one, not even Apple, can access information on an iPhone by sneaking through a software "backdoor."

Now a federal judge says Apple has to create that backdoor. Apple says they fight this all the way to the Supreme Court.



[John McAfee](#) is the creator of McAfee security software and is one of the foremost cyber security experts in the world. I spoke to him by Skype, and he says this fight is really over encryption as a whole.

"The problem is that once you put a backdoor into a piece of software, every hacker in the world is going to find it and use it, and [then] we're in a world of hurt," he says.

McAfee says that if the FBI is telling the truth about their intentions and they really need to get into just this one, then he and his team of hackers have agreed to hack that San Bernardino shooter's phone for the FBI for free. And he says they can do it in less than three weeks.

"But what I have done is said, look, you know, if in fact you are sincere in wanting to get access to just that one phone, my team and I will do it," he says.

"We can crack it - easily. I guarantee it. There is no un-crackable encryption. We all know that.

They have not responded [to my offer] and I do not think they will because it's not just that one phone they want. They want a key to everyone's phone."



McAfee does say there is a bigger issue at hand, because what the FBI and the federal government is actually doing here is a move that will destroy encryption. In an op-ed he writes;

"After years of arguments by virtually every industry specialist that back doors will be a bigger boon to hackers and to our nation's enemies than publishing our nuclear codes.

"We all say the same thing," McAfee says. "You can't do it and keep us safe as a nation. . . . And you can't do it and keep us safe as individuals. 'Cause I guarantee that once that backdoor goes in, all of our bank accounts are going to be emptied by the the bad hackers. All of our social security numbers are going to be known."

What you need to know is that if McAfee is right, the FBI can demonstrate their true intentions easily. Let the nation's best hackers open that one phone. But if this move is as many people believe - actually a move to force Apple to end encryption - then the ramifications are much bigger than government and terrorists.

Breaking encryption will impact every American's privacy, banking, finances and online identity. Encryption isn't the tool that bad guys use to hide. It is the only thing that actually can make you safe online.

Mark Zuckerberg Is Claimed To Be David Rockefeller's Grandson - Facebook Started With \$500 Million From The C.I.A.

February 24 2016 | From: [GoldSilver](#) / [TapNewsWire](#)

With all the talk about Facebook of late and the most recent bans / blocking / censorship I thought I would add my 2 cents and perhaps let people know a bit about this lad.

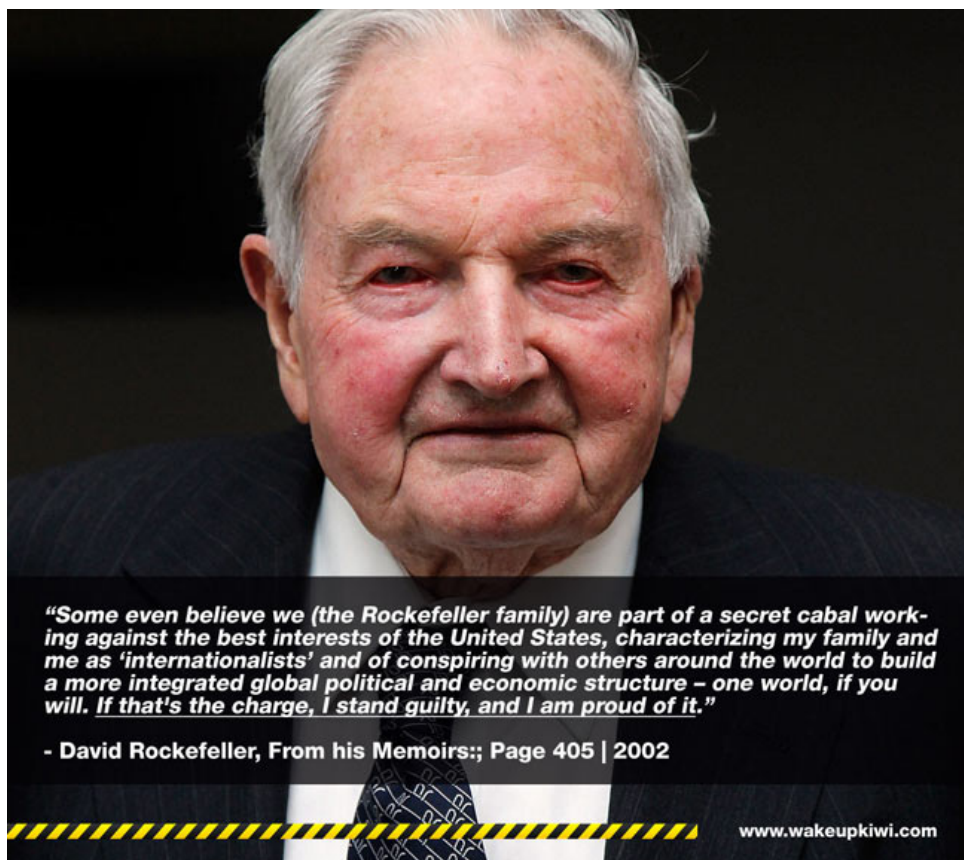


You know when this guy popped on the scene I was curious how he could do such a big start up. So I checked him out.

Mark Kuckerberg was revealed by the [TapNewsWire](#). His two grandfathers are David Rockefeller and Maurice (Hank) Greenberg of AIG fame. He has an agenda, in service to the Cabal. Hell, Bill Clinton is apparently the greatgrandson of JD Rockefeller.

The change of name is I am sure deliberate to hide who he is as well as his arrest for pot. It doesn't mean anything to me I was just curious and now with all the new nonsense I wanted to see if anyone else knew this?

The Face on Facebook belongs to Mark Zukerberg the alleged homosexual from upstate New York. But what is the most important is that his Grandfather is the 100 year old David Rockefeller. You know the one from the Trilateral Commision, The Bilderberg Group, Owner of the Chase Manhattan Bank, Council on Foreign Relations.



You read this guys bio and its like a who's who of the NWO planners. The Likes of Henry Kissenger, who refers to us as useless eaters, Allen Dulles who was implicated in the Kennedy assassination. Board of Directors of Exxon, J P Morgan Chase.

This guy is friends with every piece of trash that wants us all dead. And then we have his son David who's son is Mark Zuckerberg whos net worth is estimated at 35.7 BILLION. Sick yet? Why he has a different name I have no idea.

A search does not reveal the names of his parents. It does list his wife Pricella Chan. So he's 31 years old with bags full of money and the son of David Rockefeller. I have known this for a long time and I just assumed everyone else knew. So if you did forgive me if you didn't it should make a few balls fall into place.

Zuckerberg means 'sugar mountain'. That's their secret word for Facebook no doubt. A mountain of information from which they can extract billions. Bill Gates comes from a multibillionaire eugenicist family, which was kept well hidden in the early years of Microsoft. The same families control it all. Yet is this story true?



That is actually what his business card says:



Related: [Mark Zuckerberg Is Claimed To Be Grandson Of David Rockefeller](#)

It has been revealed that Mark Zuckerberg is the grandson of **David Rockefeller**. His true name is **Jacob Greenberg**, also grandson to **Hank Greenberg**. He is royalty.

Some police records show a Jacob Greenberg was arrested for possession of marijuana when a much younger man. His mugshot was taken, which looks like a younger *FaceBook* icon with 99% reliability. It was later revealed that this could indeed be the man the world knows as **Mark Zuckerberg**.

Also, the **Rothschilds** own 8% of *FaceBook* shares. The hidden agenda for the *FaceBook* social network is **to aid the growth of the police state and one world government movement**.



Jacob Rothschild and David Rockefeller

According to the *TAP Blog*, the venture *Facebook* was funded with **\$500 million from a CIA owned bank**. One can only wonder if the other giant **Google** has similar disguised progeny. The adopted name Zuckerberg means sugar mountain in German.

The fast rising social network is indeed a mountain of information from which they can extract \$billions. In recent weeks, the face of *FaceBook* has been revealed, as numerous members making comments about their support for gun ownership **have had their FB accounts frozen**, Big Brother at work.

The *Tap Blog* is a collective of motivated researchers and writers who join forces to distribute information and voice opinions avoided by the world's media. Unless you wish to provide the nefarious leadership crew a constant trail for your life, complete with various control gates, close your *FaceBook* account.



See the *YouTube* video that sheds more light on Big Brother . For years the Jackass has refused all invitations, since many of them are actually generated from the FB kitchen in false manner, verified numerous times. *FaceBook* attempts to expand from computer derived invitations, not human ones, like an electronic cancer. Refusals for *LinkedIn* and other social media networks are also routinely done.

The Jackass would like to add some other famous family lines. **Jimmy Carter** was fathered by **Joe Kennedy Sr.** Thus he is half brother to **John, Robert, and Edward** from *Camelot*.

It seems that **Miss Lillian** the mother was Joe's secretary, with more than dictation being taken by the woman when under the elder's employ. That explains why Jimmy never had a father revealed during his presidency. Not to be outdone, **William Jefferson Clinton** is great grandson to **John D Rockefeller** the oil magnate.



John D Rockefeller

Bill Clinton was selected, due to his penchant for bond fraud and keen interest in **cocaine binges**. After his election and residence at the Arkansas governor mansion, **the AirForce base nearby to Little Rock had its runway lengthened three-fold by the CIA**. It was then suitable to accommodate the larger aircraft that transported **narcotics to Panama**.

The hidden Camelot US Royalty of elite scum goes on.

Stop Censorship: Time For Us All To Finally Break Google, Facebook and Twitter?

February 23 2016 | From: [TheLastGreatStand](#)

As much as I hate to read that there are other people on the various different social platforms like Google, Facebook, and Twitter who are having the same kinds of problems I am facing when it comes to censorship, reading both the articles referenced below almost provided a sense of satisfaction that I'm not imagining things.



As the video and articles below detail, the level of censorship being used by Google, Facebook, and Twitter today is bordering on simply "unbelievable" to anyone who isn't experiencing it first hand.

When trying to explain to a person who isn't being censored, the extent to which many of us are being silenced daily, often times we're looked at like we have five heads.

The news media's job is to report "news," and yet despite social media giants like Google, Facebook, and Twitter silencing an entire nations of people on social media, the mainstream media says nothing. Why? Because they're all part of the same giant machine pushing for socialism.

The United States is truly entering very troubling times right now, as we head full throttle towards the next iteration of a failed socialist state. Never before in history has a country the size of the United States had any measure of success under socialist principles, but that fact is completely lost on so many of today's Americans whose only concern seems to be, "What can you do for ME?"



Thanks to the uber liberal Department of Indoctrination... excuse me... I mean Department of Education... our school system has become an abject failure. It shocks the conscious that young people are graduating from universities today with so little "knowledge" of history, that they are flocking to Bernie Sanders in droves because he's promising them "free college tuition."

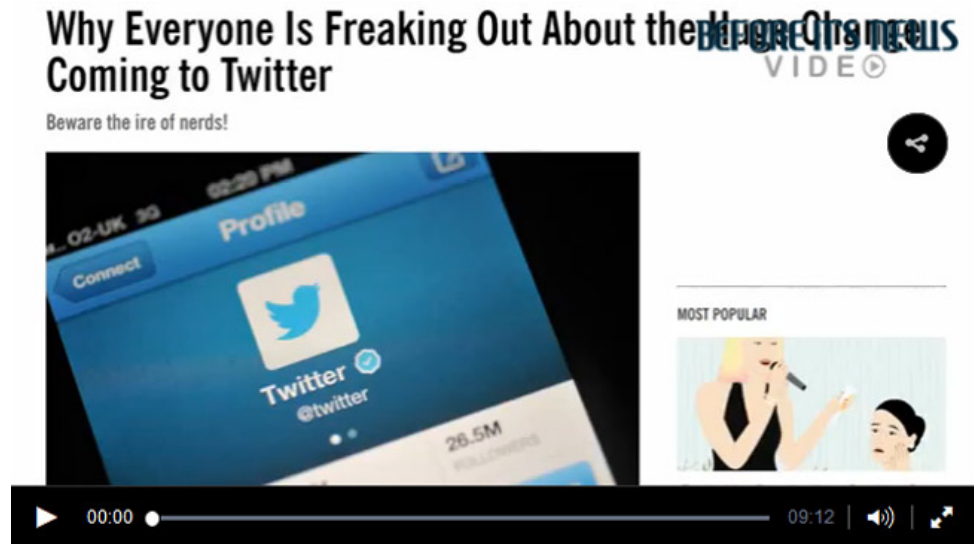
They lack the critical thinking skills that would enable them to see past the instant gratification “wants” that idiots like Obama, or Clinton, or Sanders provide for them. As a society, we have failed these young people. How is it that an entire generation cannot grasp the fact that, *“there is no such thing as a free lunch?”*

Last century alone, the utopia promised by Socialist / Marxist / Communist politicians who promised a more “fair” and “equitable” lifestyle for their people came at a cost of almost 100 MILLION dead human beings. The notion that, *“it will be different this time,”* is only further proof we’ve failed the youth and our education system is broken. George Santayana once famously said:

“When change is absolute there remains no being to improve and no direction is set for possible improvement: and when experience is not retained, as among savages, infancy is perpetual.

Those who cannot remember the past are condemned to repeat it.”

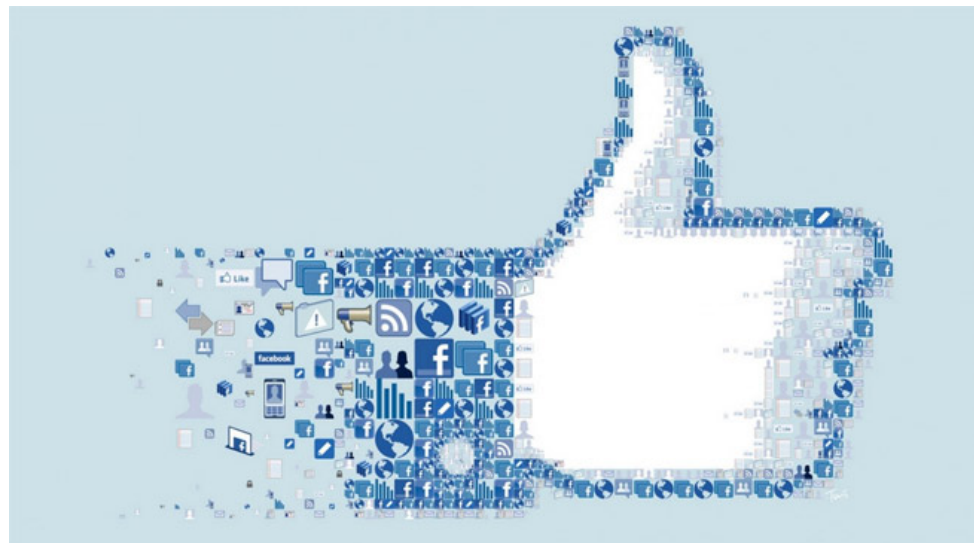
In the following video, the narrator discusses a topic that is becoming all too familiar to some Americans. Luke Rudkowski talks about the shocking and sad news about Twitter’s new algorithm along with their new “Trust and Safety Council” that will be used to censor any conservative leaning voices on what was once a platform of free speech.



In the video above, Rudkowski refers to what he calls the “Death of Twitter.” Much like Facebook, and other social mediums he explains how Twitter is no longer interested in what YOU want to get information about. Instead, Twitter is now using brand new ad friendly and brand friendly algorithms that will TELL you what you should be interested in.

If your belief system or values don’t align with those of a far left persuasion, and you decide to voice those beliefs, you can expect to get your account suspended or thrown in the “Twitter Gulag” for some indefinite amount of time.

Keep in mind, Twitter’s suspension ban, and locking notifications do not inform users which rule they have supposedly broken, instead Twitter simply states that the user has somehow impinged on the the terms of service, and their account is suspended.



Finding out the reason an account has been punished is generally impossible on Google, Facebook, or Twitter. After first receiving an email from Facebook with a survey saying I was one of their “most valuable advertisers,” I responded asking:

"As one of Facebook's "most valuable advertisers," why is it that every time ask for Facebook's policy on posting in groups, so I can make certain I am not in violation of it, none of my emails are responded to?"

Here's the reality: If you openly favor conservative ideals like pro-life, the Second Amendment, or criticize the government's violation of the Constitution, expect your posts to be censored heavily, or your account banned all together. Everywhere you look, Free Speech is being annihilated.

Not only are companies like Facebook, Twitter, and Google, censoring you, they are reporting people to Obama's new Attorney General, Loretta Lynch, who has [Created a Gestapo To Target Americans With "Anti-Government Views"](#).

Anyone who reads, [The Department Of Justice Prepares To Step Up War On "Domestic Extremists"](#), will most likely be blown away at how militant the government has become about a person's belief system or their religious convictions.

Per a [Department of Defense training manual](#) obtained by Judicial Watch in a Freedom of Information Act request, we learned that the criteria a SECRET UNELECTED OBAMA OFFICIAL has for determining a "domestic extremist" is as follows:

"Americans who are 'reverent of individual liberty,' and 'suspicious of centralized federal authority' are possible 'extreme right-wing' terrorists.

The document linked above also lists people who embrace "individual liberties" and honor "states' rights," among other characteristics, as potential "extremists" who are likely to be members of "hate groups."

Finally, the document goes on to call the Founding Fathers, "extremists."

Writing at [Liberty Unyielding](#) on Saturday, retired Naval Intelligence officer J. E. Dyer said that it's time to "break" the Internet as we know it, starting with the big three social media and search engine sites, namely, Google, Facebook and Twitter.

"They're all implementing policies to shut down the voices of freedom in their forums," she said. "It's one thing to police obscenity and personal attacks. It's another thing entirely to define the word 'gun' as an offense, and bias content-oriented algorithms against it."

"It's ridiculous to "suspend" users for posting politically conservative content – and yet, in the blogger forums I correspond with, such suspensions are now commonplace. "I'm in Facebook jail" for X number of days has become a constant refrain.

We're not talking about people who use expletives or make threats online. We're talking about people who merely post conservative sentiments and memes, and links to (very mainstream) conservative websites.

The social media and browsing giants are private companies. They can run things the way they want; it's their dime. But that's why they need to be broken. They can't be allowed to become a vehicle for marginalizing non-compliant voices. The default model for social media and browsing needs to be variety, diversity, and freedom – not intellectual conformity. Freedom is what needs to pay off."

She makes a sound argument, citing the weekend's explosion over Twitter's [arbitrary suspension](#) of blogger Robert Stacy McCain.

Twitter, she notes, has a new policy where speech is monitored and controlled by a "Trust and Safety Council," which is run by such distinguished enemies of free speech as "Feminist Frequency and the Dangerous Speech Project."

Orwellian? That's putting it mildly.



Twitter, she adds, is a private company and "can live by delusional bias if it wants to; it should just have to pay a steep price for doing so."

Twitter is also engaging in what's known as "shadowbanning." According to Breitbart's [Milo Yiannopoulos](#), it's very real:

"Shadowbanning, sometimes known as "Stealth Banning" or "Hell Banning," is commonly used by online

community managers to block content posted by spammers.

Instead of banning a user directly (which would alert the spammer to their status, prompting them to create a new account), their content is merely hidden from public view. . .

However, Twitter isn't merely targeting spammers.

For weeks, users have been reporting that tweets from populist conservatives, members of the alternative right, cultural libertarians, and other anti-PC dissidents have disappeared from their timelines."

A similar phenomenon is happening at Facebook, Dyer adds:

"Something similar to shadowbanning has been evident at Facebook in the last several weeks, to anyone who runs a conservative Facebook page.

The trend that's been especially noticeable to me is this one: meme images of the type that used to quickly get thousands of shares and likes, and dozens or hundreds of comments, can now go for days and gather only a few dozen shares and likes.

What these images have in common is that they're eye-catching, funny, meme-tastic – and pro-gun rights.

The conclusion is that such memes aren't getting exposure, because Facebook's algorithms have been biased against them. This is probably related to Facebook's [recent banning of private, non-dealer gun sales](#), and presumably is not inadvertent.

"Again," she notes, "Facebook is a private company." Google, she wrote, has come up "with [a new extension for the Chrome browser](#) that will literally change, to suit the pro-abortion user, [the language posted to the web by originators](#). The change this extension will make is to turn "pro-life" into "anti-choice.""

She goes on to warn of a sort of "weaponised" Internet where those who do not opt in to the Orwellian thought-control can and ultimately will be made invisible and tracked like criminals.



"There was a time when it was enough for conservatives to have success with news and opinion content online. But the Internet is being transformed at a much less visible level now: at the level of basic browsing and social media algorithms, the dynamic but obscure arrangements that enable us to 'see' and connect with each other to exchange information," she said.

To deal with this, she said, we must develop an "alternet," but that will require resources and the will to create something where freedom remains.

I've written time and again about the abuses meted out to users by Facebook. **Facebook - recently called the world's most dangerous censor - is already working to shape and control language in Europe, with the blessings of European governments.**

"I know there are potential inventors and investors out there," Dyer said in conclusion.

"The market need is obvious, and will only become more so. Get your thinking caps on, and let's break this thing."

Dyer continues:

"What we need now is, literally, alternatives to the existing social media and browsing giants. The giants, acting as administrators of quasi-public spaces, are becoming hostile to intellectual freedom, in a way that will soon turn into predation against it.

The model of "all the world" connecting via Facebook is going to have to be shattered, and replaced by a different model in which competition will penalize censorship."

Breaking The Web

The good news is that we have a big, disruptive watershed coming up, possibly this year, when the central organization of the Internet is taken out of the hands of the United States government. This is (re)scheduled to happen on 1 October 2016, and it very well might.

This will be an unmitigated disaster for today's Internet freedom, if it does happen. The attacks on Web freedom will begin immediately (although they will be less visible in the U.S.). The shift will start small, but it will be real, and relentless.

Within a short time – probably weeks, maybe even days – browsing, providing Internet service, and operating websites will become a significantly different experience for those in more-authoritarian as opposed to less-authoritarian countries.



America won't be immune. Without a publicly accountable department of the U.S. federal government in charge, more and more things will begin to happen that hardly anyone knows about, but that will affect everyone. Being surprised and confused that our Web experience is changing is something we can expect within months of the transfer date.

So why do I say this is good news? Because it will force us to develop a true "alternet." The technology is there, but the motivation has been lacking. The day is coming when it won't be lacking anymore.

The outlines of an Internet weaponized against us are already visible: an Internet by which we can be marginalized and punished, and over which we exert less and less discretion as to how much we *want* to interact with it. But that weaponizable Internet depends on being monolithic, and having the authorization-vetoes of governments hanging over it.



It's time for a new paradigm of the Internet, one without the infrastructure features we have come to assume are inevitable. The role of the FCC, for example, needs to be fundamentally rethought. I'm not convinced we even need 95% of what the FCC does.

A lot has to break to get to a new paradigm – but a lot is going to break. The reason for a customer revolt is scheduled on the calendar, and the giant companies are helping out by trying to make college-campus censorship the standard of dialogue on the Web.

I know there are potential inventors and investors out there. The market need is obvious, and will only become more so. Get your thinking caps on, and let's break this thing.

US Intelligence Chief: We Might Use The Internet Of Things To Spy On You

February 13 2016 | From: [TheGuardian](#)

James Clapper did not name specific agency as being involved in surveillance via smart-home devices but said in congressional testimony it is a distinct possibility



The US intelligence chief has acknowledged for the first time that agencies might use a new generation of smart household devices to increase their surveillance capabilities.

Related: ['Internet of Things' an Absolute Goldmine for Big Brother, Admits Top US Spy](#)

As increasing numbers of [devices connect to the internet and to one another](#), the so-called internet of things promises consumers increased convenience – the remotely operated thermostat from Google-owned Nest is a leading example. But as home computing migrates away from the laptop, the tablet and the smartphone, experts warn that the security features on the coming wave of automobiles, dishwashers and alarm systems lag far behind.

In an appearance at a Washington thinktank last month, the director of the National Security Agency, Adm Michael Rogers, said that it was time to consider making the home devices “more defensible”, but did not address the opportunities that increased numbers and even categories of connected devices provide to his surveillance agency.



However, James Clapper, the US director of national intelligence, was more direct in testimony submitted to the Senate on Tuesday as part of an assessment of threats facing the United States.

“In the future, intelligence services might use the [internet of things] for identification, surveillance, monitoring, location tracking, and targeting for recruitment, or to gain access to networks or user credentials,” Clapper said.

Clapper did not specifically name any intelligence agency as involved in household-device surveillance. But security experts examining the internet of things take as a given that the US and other surveillance services will intercept the signals the newly networked devices emit, much as they do with those from cellphones.

Amateurs are already interested in easily compromised hardware; computer programmer John Matherly's search engine [Shodan](#) indexes thousands of completely unsecured web-connected devices.



Online threats again topped the intelligence chief's list of "worldwide threats" the US faces, with the mutating threat of low-intensity terrorism quickly following. While Clapper has for years used the equivocal term "evolving" when asked about the scope of the threat, he said Tuesday that Sunni violent extremism "has more groups, members, and safe havens than at any other point in history".

The Islamic State topped the threat index, but Clapper also warned that the US-backed Saudi war in Yemen was redounding to the benefit of al-Qaida's local affiliate.

Domestically;

"Homegrown extremists" are the greatest terrorist threat, rather than Islamic State or al-Qaida attacks planned from overseas. Clapper cited the San Bernardino and Chattanooga shootings as examples of lethal operations emanating from self-starting extremists "without direct guidance from [Isis] leadership".

US intelligence officials did not foresee Isis suffering significant setbacks in 2016 despite a war in Syria and Iraq that the Pentagon has pledged to escalate. The chief of defense intelligence, Marine Lt Gen Vincent Stewart, said the jihadist army would "probably retain Sunni Arab urban centers" in 2016, even as military leaders pledged to [wrest the key cities of Raqqa and Mosul](#) from it.

Contradicting the US defense secretary, Ashton Carter, Stewart said he was "less optimistic in the near term about Mosul", saying the US and Iraqi government would "certainly not" retake it in 2016.

The negative outlook comes as Carter traveled on Tuesday to meet with his fellow defense chiefs in Brussels for a discussion on increasing their contributions against Isis.

On the Iran nuclear deal, Clapper said intelligence agencies were in a "distrust and verify mode", but added: "We have no evidence thus far that they're moving toward violation."



Clapper's admission about the surveillance potential for networked home devices is rare for a US official. But in an overlooked 2012 speech, the then CIA director David Petraeus called the surveillance implications of the internet of things "[transformational](#)" ... particularly to their effect on clandestine tradecraft".

During testimony to both the Senate armed services committee and the intelligence panel, Clapper cited Russia, China, Iran, North Korea and the Islamic State as bolstering their online espionage, disinformation, theft, propaganda and data-destruction capabilities. He warned that the US's ability to correctly attribute the culprits of those actions would probably diminish with "improving offensive tradecraft, the use of proxies, and the creation of cover organizations".

Clapper suggested that US adversaries had overtaken its online capabilities: "Russia and China continue to have the most sophisticated cyber programs."

The White House's new cybersecurity initiative, [unveiled on Tuesday](#), pledged increased security for nontraditional networked home devices. It tasked the Department of Homeland Security to "test and certify networked devices within the *'Internet of Things'*." It did not discuss any tension between the US's twin cybersecurity and surveillance priorities.



Connected household devices are a potential treasure trove to intelligence agencies seeking unobtrusive ways to listen and watch a target, according to a study that Harvard's Berkman Center for Internet and Society released last week. The study found that the signals explosion represented by the internet of things would overwhelm any privacy benefits by users of commercial encryption – even as Clapper in his testimony again alleged that the growth of encryption was having a *"negative effect on intelligence gathering"*.

The report's authors cited a 2001 case in which the FBI had sought to compel a company that makes emergency communications hardware for automobiles – similar by description to OnStar, though the company was not named – to assist agents in Nevada in listening in on conversations in a client's car.

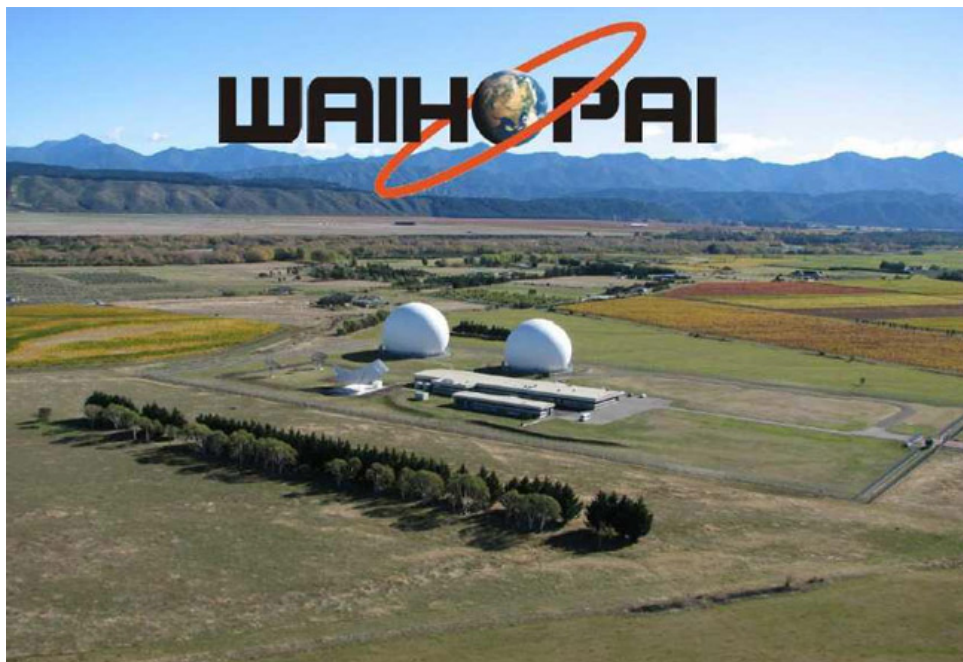
In February 2015, news reports revealed that microphones on Samsung “smart” televisions were “always on” so as to receive any audio that it could interpret as an instruction.

"Law enforcement or intelligence agencies may start to seek orders compelling Samsung, Google, Mattel, Nest or vendors of other networked devices to push an update or flip a digital switch to intercept the ambient communications of a target," the authors wrote.

Waihopai Spy Base Protesters Talk GCSB, Five Eyes And Democracy In Marlborough

January 29 2016 | From: [MarlboroughExpress](#)

An annual protest has drawn a colourful crowd to Marlborough to protest against mass surveillance.



About 60 people from across New Zealand gathered in Marlborough on Saturday to take a peaceful stand against Waihopai Station, southwest of Blenheim.

The day began with a march through the centre of Blenheim, with one marcher dressed as Uncle Sam and another wearing an oversized mask in the likeness of Prime Minister John Key.

Green Party co-leader and intelligence spokesperson Metiria Turei spoke at the march about the Government Security Communications Bureau.

"The GCSB has acted illegally. Our spy agencies are being used for political purposes like helping ministers get international jobs, New Zealanders in the Pacific are being spied on and the SIS lacks a proper compliance system," Turei said.

"We cannot let their arrogance erode our civil liberties away."

The protest moved to the Waihopai spy base about 1.30pm where six police officers took shifts standing in the 30 degree Celsius heat between the protesters and the spy base.



Teacher Adrian Leason, one of the 'Waihopai three', calls for the Waihopai spy base to be closed.

Anti-Bases Campaign spokesman Murray Horton said the spy base was controlled by the United States, adding even New Zealand's prime minister knew little about its operations.

"Five Eyes is the reason for the existence of both the GCSB and Waihopai ... Its satellite interception dishes intercept a huge volume of civilian telephone calls, email and computer data communications," he said.

"The collection of private information was anti-democratic and destructive", he said.

Aros Diodi travelled from Coromandel to help raise awareness at the protest.

"People need to know. It's like a big secret," she said.

There were about seven people from Marlborough at the protest.

"Marlborough does not get in behind this the way it should," Horton said.

One man jumped the fence to give police a close-up view of his placard, but there were no arrests.

"We will keep coming here as long as that [spy base] is still there. So book the overtime, boys," Horton said to police at the protest's conclusion.

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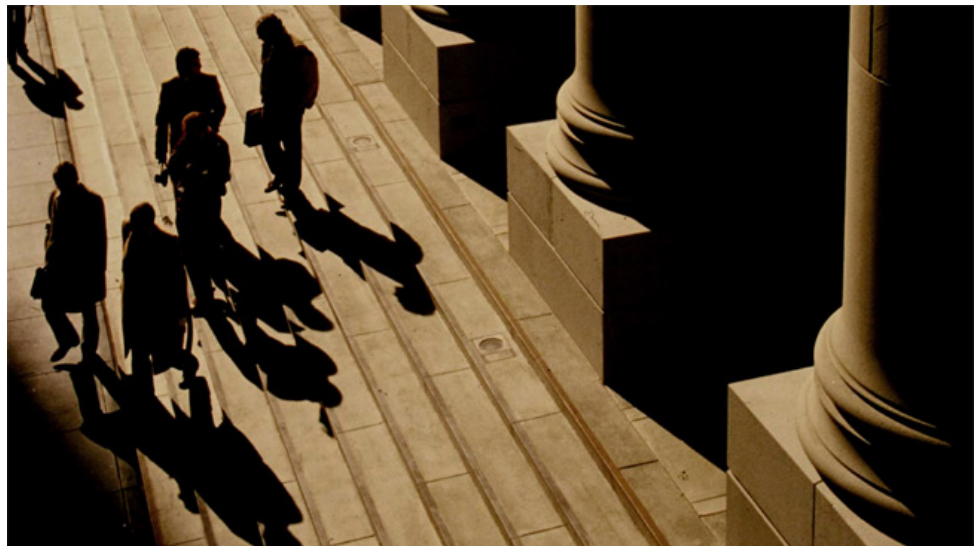
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The Big Squeeze vs. Khazarian Mafia

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The result of the well-coordinated operation to cut-off the Khazarian Mafia from the rest of the global economy is now undeniable.



The fiat FED dollar denominated economy is effectively shut down as indicated in the free-falling Baltic Dry Index.

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We have warned that bank deposits are already being skimmed by the retreating parasites, and it's prudent that necessary preparations should have been made already.

Iran cannot be intimidated anymore. It has repelled Israel and Saudi Arabia's big brother, i.e. the United States.

If your child is being held back and being denied even the possibility of entering a gifted program based on the fact that they have attention issues, then there is problem.

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Again, we are featuring another summary of the information that's already been in this site and some new information detailing the personalities involved that should facilitate the understanding of what's been going on for at least the last eight years.



Big Squeeze Now On Khazarian Mafia

This article builds on past articles on this subject. For those who haven't read those, reading this article is likely a waste of time and it will be difficult to fit this information into their heads.

This is a long article and is written as a two-tiered piece. Those short of time can read the bold print and pass over the rest, and then finish with the conclusion. Many thanks to my sources, some still living but most passed. None have been associated with Veterans Today in any way. I do not enjoy writing this type of article for a number of reasons not appropriate to be discussed here. But I do feel an obligation to get this information out.]

Numerous nations around the World have now ganged up on the Khazarian Mafia (KM).

It is cornered and it is losing power by the day. Expect increased surveillance and harassment by local police who take orders from Homeland Security (DHS) and receive their ridiculous conjured up Domestic Terror Watch Lists.

How much real power does the Khazarian Mafia have left and for how long can it hold out? Is the Khazarian Mafia still powerful enough to start another major war in the Mideast, or even a nuclear WW3 to serve as a covering event for their impending loss of World hegemony?



There are recent reports from China that the Chinese Government has ordered that its international cargo shipping in both the Pacific and the Atlantic be restricted.

One source with connections to mainland Chinese sources has verified this claim that China has given an ultimatum that there will be a big reduction in their cargo ships unloading any products until the USG begins to honor the Secret Reset Agreement they entered into in 2013 during G-20 meetings.

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The Baltic Dry Shipping Index is way down, less than half of what it was at its peak. Crude oil has dropped to \$30 a barrel or less, and in Canada shale oil is even as low as \$10 a barrel. American retail sales were low during Christmas and many retail chains plan to close stores at multiple locations, including the notorious Walmart.

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And oil derivatives of the big Wall Street Banks are under extreme stress due to these oil prices which has now placed several of the largest in jeopardy. The US Petro Dollar is now under stress as never before and the massive continued issuing and printing after the bailouts (repetitive Quantitative Easings, #7 and counting), the secret US Treasury Exchange Stabilization Fund (ESF) direct foreign bank bailouts of trillions, and the secret direct USG Plunge Protection Team stock purchases in mass no longer seem to mitigate this slide.

Several foreign nations have asked for their Gold back that has been stored at the Federal Reserve, but only a portion has been shipped because the vaults are now apparently empty.



Chinese and Russian purchases of massive quantities of Gold and Silver are fact, not theory, giving them a huge advantage as the Federal Reserve System's Ponzi scheme approaches collapse.

Comex paper Gold which is supposed to be backed 100% by real Gold is not. This is just another part of the Federal Reserve System's massive Ponzi scheme which has probably already hit the iceberg and is taking on water.

The Khazarian Mafia's top leadership is being squeezed and now seems cornered. They claim to each other to work directly for Lucifer who they describe as their new "rising god" (they call this "Lucifer Rising"). Others in this small circle describe Lucifer as a renegade Third Force who will cut these folks loose in a NY Minute as soon as they serve no useful purpose anymore. And that is what now seems to be happening. Looks like their "god" is going to let them down. Oh well, should they have expected less from pure evil?



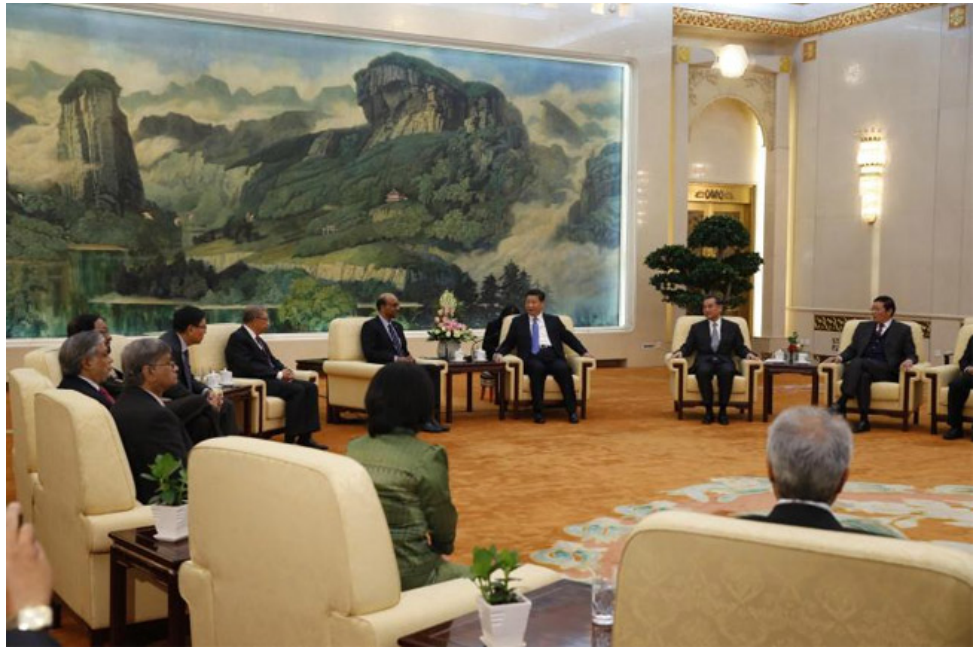
When you dance with the devil, you are going to get burned. That's the function of Doofus Cutouts that are propelled to the top and given power, status and riches beyond imagination. They are there to serve as disposables when it's all said and done and they are no longer needed. They will never see it coming when they are abandoned and "cut-loose".

If there is going to be new monetary system set up for the World and that's the way it looks, and it likely will not include the Khazarian Mafia Kingpins.

As best we can determine before Chinese cargo shipping decreased, China was demanding that their Renminbi be included in a basket of currencies.

And we know that the Renminbi will be backed by Gold and this basket of currencies will replace the current exclusiveness of the US Petro Dollar which functions as the World's Reserve Currency.

This same source has claimed that the Japanese Government has just agreed to be part of the Chinese created Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank (AIIB). If these reports are accurate then this means that Khazarian Mafia is being squeezed economically.



For the G-20 nations and especially the USA to honor this Secret Reset Agreement made in 2013, the Khazarian Mafia must be removed from its position controlling the World's Central Banking.

It also apparently requires the acceptance of the Chinese Renminbi based on Gold and Silver as a part of an international basket of currencies and the removal of the US Petro Dollar as the World's Reserve Currency.

Looks like the Khazarian Mafia is now being squeezed from many directions. And it is rapidly losing control which makes it desperate and dangerous.

When the World's largest Organized Crime Syndicate the Khazarian Mafia feels cornered one would expect that it would become desperate to re-establish control and take even more drastic actions that it has in the past, unless too much force is arrayed against them from more than one enemy.

And now for the first time numerous enemies have arisen against the Khazarian Mafia. And two of them are quite powerful.

The first and most powerful enemy appears to be the Russian Federation.

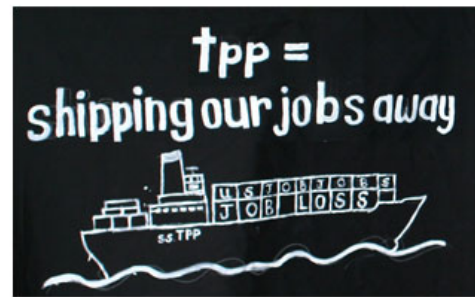
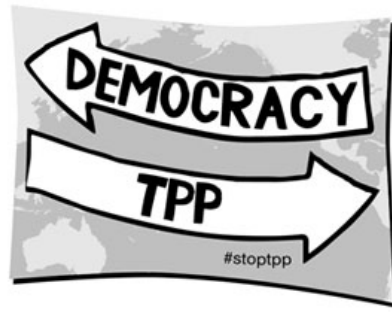


Putin and the Russian Federation have now completely checkmated the Khazarian Mafia both in the Ukraine and in Syria and is now annihilating ISIS by deployment of its superior air power.

The second most powerful appears to be the American People, a very well-armed sleeping giant that is now rapidly awaking.

This new exigent power of the American Masses is due to the Alternative Media of the Internet. The Internet has provided incredible speed and the fact that so many Americans are finally figuring out everything out of our elected Politicians' mouths via the CMMM is their propaganda, big lies and false-narratives.

And the recent dire economy, and massive unemployment since 2008 brought about by all these traitorous Free Trade Agreements and two illegal, unConstitutional "Wall Street Bailouts" have created a spontaneously emerging populism in the American Masses.



This massive populism is not only unprecedented but it is now accompanied by a rising anger towards the DC "doofus" career politicians and this new populism is increasingly powerful.

The Khazarian Mafia has deployed false-flag attacks all around the World and in America using Cutouts. Some were mass-shootings in gun-free zones hyped in the Controlled Major Mass Media (CMMM), and others were major bombings like at the Murrah Building in Oklahoma City on April 19, 1995 or the World Trade Center in NYC on 9-11-01.

The purpose is always to justify more power to central government in order to help the Khazarian Mafia protect itself and its Evil Agenda.

But now that the Khazarian Mafia is being squeezed from all sides, will we see increased harassment of investigative journalists, known truth tellers and dissidents who run counter to the Khazarian Mafia's propaganda, big lies and false-narratives they dispense through their CMMM?

Might we start seeing mysterious and increasingly frequent disappearances like what occurred in the South American Death Squads? After all these Death Squads were all trained by the US Military and the CIA inside the USA, and these schools for torture and murder are still active.



And recently Chicago was caught running a black site for DHS to disappear Targeted Individuals. Other cities have these too. And the Pentagon and the CIA still run the Black Prison sites in East European nations and also have black prison ships which are still active. Check this for more information.

We should expect the DHS to put out increasingly negative smear reports to the local Police Departments creating increased fear of known truth tellers, dissidents, patriots and gun owners? This will include folks who have been illegally placed on Domestic terror Watch lists with instructions to begin increased surveillance and harassment against them?

We now know for certain that the Khazarian Mafia's actions in the past in America have included the Bombing of the Murrah Building, first attempted bombing of the NYC Twin towers by the FBI setting up and supplying the Blind Sheikh. This was actually an acoustics test to establish needs for the devices the Khazarian Mafia used in Twin Towers attack on 9-11-01.



And the FBI (with help of the CIA and crooked US Customs agents) placed a stolen barrel of cyanide stolen from Louis Champon's Natural Cherry Flavoring Company in Boca Raton Florida through a tunnel under the street by Wackem'out World Security.

This was done to see what the effects on folks near the blast in the basement parking ramp would be. Actually the blast destroyed the toxicity of the cyanide.

Naturally the FBI tried to secretly and wrongly frame Louis Champon for this and only failed through the incredible detective work of James Rothstein (NYCPD Gold Shield, police Intel and key part of the infamous NY State Crime Commission Secret 15 man Intel Task Force - now long retired for arresting Frank Sturgis aka Frank Fiorini in NYC for trying to terminate Marita Lorenz right before her secret appearance at the HSCA and turning over of photos with Ruby, Sturgiss, Oswald at the motel the night before the JFK Assassination and more).

Detective Rothstein, a German Catholic, is the only member of this secret 15 man task force who has survived (most were terminated with extreme prejudice by the CIA) to suppress what they found out. Detective Rothstein is one of the greatest American Heroes in Law Enforcement we have ever had anywhere in America.

His investigations led to more prosecutions of CIA pedophiles, their pedophile murders, and the CIA drug dealers than any other LE person in the history of America and his record still stands.



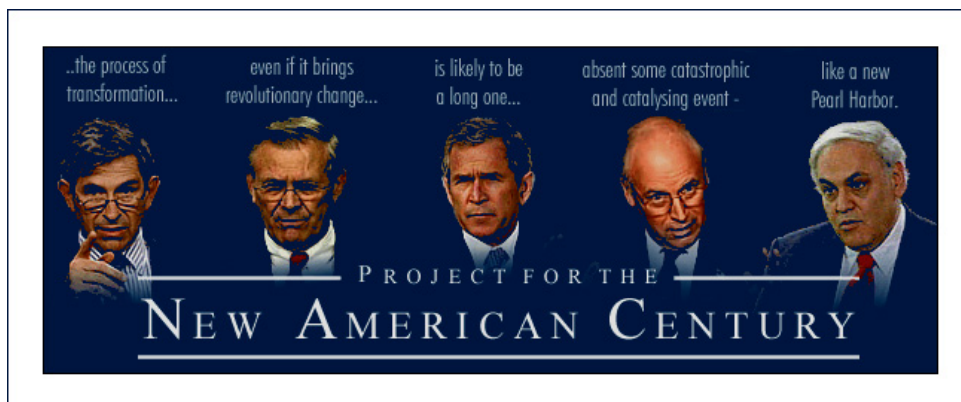
None of this ever was allowed into the CMMM of course. Rothstein's astoundingly frank book is expected to be published this year and it will be very interesting. His long term efforts to bring St. John's Abbey to justice for the pedophile sheep-dipped, rat-lined ex-Nazi priests that have been kept there and protected from prosecution are well known, and he is still at it.

Too bad the local police are crooked, and the FBI continues to look the other way and do their usual assigned job, cover up for the "Process".

So this World's largest organized Crime Syndicate the Khazarian Mafia is truly capable of untold evil against the American people as well as the whole World as long as it is allowed to exist and occupy and parasitize the USG for its own purposes.

Every large urban police dept. and the alphabets, especially the FBI has an Intel plant embedded there to run cover-ups for the "Process" Satanic Cult and the CIA drug trafficking, both protected by being deputized as agents of National Security".

Inside America the Khazarian Mafia has controlled the Alphabets including the FBI, its main cover up agency and entrapment/setup agency and the BATF, as well as the CIA; and they have always done a lot of the Khazarian Mafia's illegal dirty work.



And of course after the Khazarian Mafia attacked America on 9-11-01 to create a New Pearl Harbor event, they were now in a position to establish Homeland Security (DHS) the foundation of the long planned American Police State.

This plan to establish DHS was already written and ready to push through Congress awaiting a major catalytic event such as the major terrorist attack of 9-11-01 which was run by the Khazarian Mafia and its stateside assets deep inside the Administration and the Pentagon.

The attack on America of 9-11-01 was designed to consolidate all American Law Enforcement under one central command directly controlled by the Khazarian Mafia, a known foreign based power, and justify becoming a nation based on preemptive wars of aggression.



The secret agenda of DHS is to transform America into a total surveillance society, a Police State rivaling East Germany under the Stasi. That is why Marcus Wolfe (former head of the Stasi) was hired as a consultant to set up DHS two years before he mysteriously died.

The ultimate end game here is for the Khazarian Mafia to use DHS to transform America into GAZA II, the World's largest open-air prison camp and to make Americans the New Palestinians. This is all part of the "Greater Israel Plan" which is no longer theory but established fact.

And the "Greater Israel Plan" is the cover story used by the Khazarian Mafia's top leadership (aka the "Select Few") to use its Cutouts and main action agent the American-Israeli "Israeli-first" Dual Citizen Traitors and the Likudists in Israel to do their dirty work.

The American Controlled Major Mass Media (CMMM) has been losing its credibility for years, and its popularity is at an all-time low.



Since the CMMM is the main mouthpiece and propaganda/mind-control agent for the Khazarian Mafia, its demise poses a big loss of power for the Khazarian Mafia. And we now know for certain its demise is being engendered by the increasing popularity of the Alternative News of the Internet.

The Khazarian Mafia is now cornered and you can bet that Homeland Security (DHS) is busy at work creating smear reports at their fusion centers to send to local police with the instructions to increase the harassment of suspected domestic terrorists.

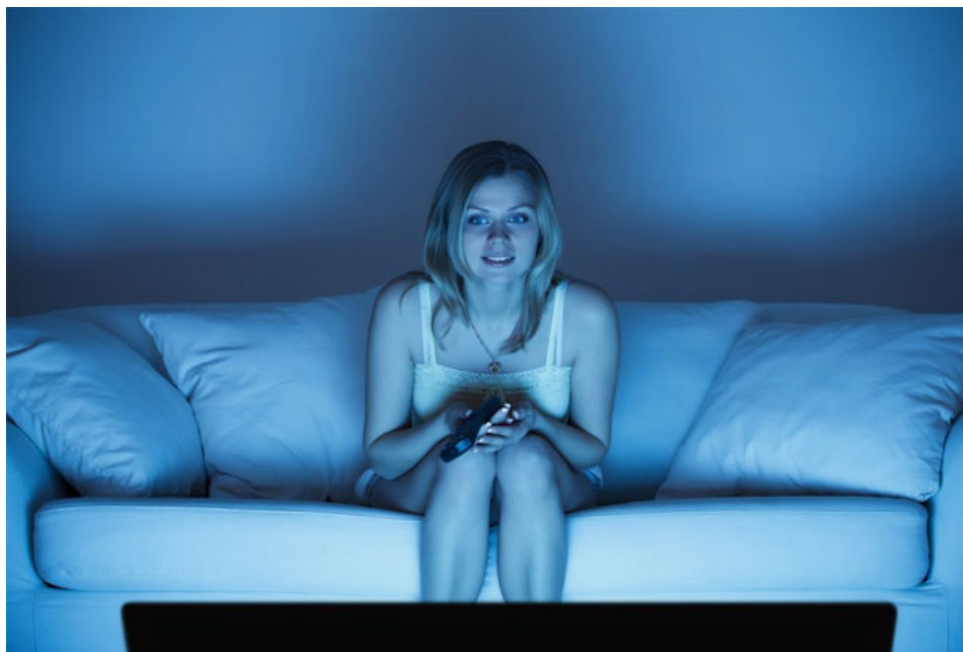
Expect greatly increased surveillance and spying on all Americans even the Khazarian Mafia's underling yes men and women and major doofuses who have been appointed to high positions of power and to provide a twisted sort of inside humor to the very top controllers that run the Khazarian Mafia System.

Spying and Intel collection has become remarkably advanced and will continue to increase in frequency, scope and intrusiveness.



Much of it is used for banal entertainment by bored "no longer give a damn" NSA and NRO employees who dig watching and listening to bedroom type scenes. The NSA and NRO are collecting far more raw data than they can adequately process effectively, and it has become mostly a money-making means to asset strip more and more money from We The People and make a big show of power by the Khazarian Mafia.

Some deep black and top secret technologies include; use of one's own AC house wiring, smart TV's, personal especially laptop and handheld computers, cell phones, wired phones, remote phones, smart TV's and smart appliances; remote outdoor to indoor thermometers and weather meters and stations for homeowners; some TV remote controls with voice activation; really spooky new methods like driving by and shooting a special micro-transceiver nail in the siding that is matched for color and texture; wall penetrating drive-by radar systems (also used along major highways in unmarked white step vans and 18-wheelers; vehicle, aircraft, and satellite based special infrared sensors); high powered close-by receivers for picking up brain waves and decoding thought and emotional states; ...



...embedded transceiver chips in all cell phones and auto GPS and blue-tooth communication and "seek help" systems which can be remotely activated and easily traced and used a GPS tracking and used for microphones; orbital super HD electronic day and night vision cameras that can sense an ant on the ground and many license plates; deep black variable and synthetic aperture ground penetrating radar, advance gamma ray and neutron particle sensors and other even more secret means involved ground, truck, tower and satellite antennas designed to pick up brainwave transmissions which have been altered by ingested nano-particles in the atmospherically sprayed aerosol chem-trails and gasoline which include nano-particles of aluminum and barium and other magnetic and electrical compounds which can be flashed, id'ed and used to alter brainwave transmissions for external monitoring (referred to as the "prime freak").

There are other even more advance psi-power means that are so far down the rabbit-hole they would be too discrediting to discuss in this article. But they do exist and can be effective in many situations.

More on those in another article perhaps.

But even worse DHS uses the special deniable contractor squads and retired miltel, FBI and CIA to gang-stalk, do personal surveillance, walk-bys, and moving in next door or as close as possible to key targeted individuals who are deemed as first line threat to their system of lies.



Paranoid yet? Haha

And as if that wasn't enough, these special squads have specialists that deploy advanced psychotronic warfare against USG, Intel, military and corporate whistle-blowers on behalf of the Khazarian Mafia kingpins that is designed to cause chronic health problems, lethal medical disorders and suppression of thinking and acting.

Mark Novitsky

Some of these devices are cell tower activated, some by doppler weather radar, some closely custom placed transmitters triangulated in from close-by spy cell and corporate proprietaries. For those that claim this is all pure fantasy and bs I can strongly reply you are wrong, dead wrong. How can I say that?

Well I have personally swept Mark Novitsky's residence with sensors used by the German Health Department and found it way over the allowable European accepted limits with some equipment red-lined. Some sources inside the home were disabled or removed, and we found strong external sources.

As we started tracing and triangulating their location of external transmissions, they were suddenly turned off preventing location. Novitsky is as important in what he knows and has attempted to disclose as Snowden. 60 Minutes was going to do a big story on him but backed out at the last minute because they said it had become too complicated.



Other top Federal and Intel whistle-blowers have told Novitsky what he knows about is above their pay grade. Most avoid him like the plague. All his local Senators and Congresspersons were notified by Novitsky (evidence in writing I have seen) and all deny it and did nothing, except for Governor Mark Dayton who was a Senator at the time.

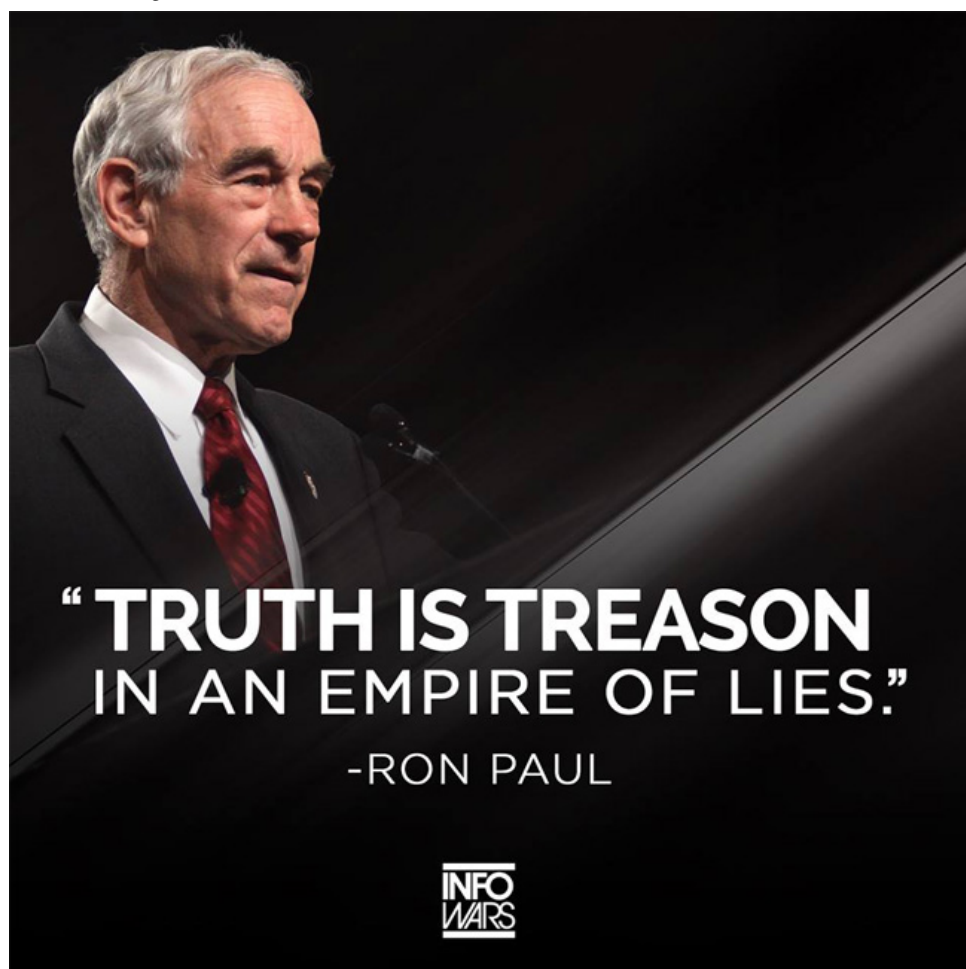
Dayton has a good reputation with his staff and when terrorism struck in DC he immediately placed the safety of his staff first. He did what he could for Novitsky and We The People but was stepped on hard.

Now Dayton is the Governor of Minnesota and appears to be doing his best to get the the states decaying infrastructure repaired. Novitsky has been placed on the top secret DHS "No Work under any Circumstances List" by the FBI, which follows him around and tells any employer where he applies that he is a Domestic Terrorist, "please do not hire him, he is on our Domestic Terror Watch List and under surveillance - you wouldn't want to be put on our Watch List now, would you?"

The one good job Novitsky had in a non-Intel related area after leaving the Teletech Holdings related company he worked for was ruined when the FBI showed up and delivered a National Security Letter (NSL) which his employer was allowed to read but not keep, and which threatened a \$10,000 fine and up to 10 years in a federal prison if he ever disclosed anything about this NSL letter or why he was going to have to separate Novitsky.

And Mark has had strange but very real recent medical problems and his first doctors were either dirty, Khazarian Mafia worker bees, Sayanims or just plain uncaring and medically lousy.

The lab was either dirty or had folks inside that tampered with his blood work. Finally, he was able to find a top physician who is 100% ethical with a top academic reputation and will not kowtow to illegal government manipulations.



And who are DHS's listed domestic terrorists? Gun owners, Ron Paul supporters, Veterans, libertarians, Christians, Islamics, Patriots, anti-war activists, dissidents and alternative media reporters and journalists and many many more individuals and groups that can be placed on the list by any supervisory agent after even one complaint of any kind and these watch lists have no oversight or appeal process. Once you are on these Watch Lists you are doomed to be on forever.

Even Senator Ted Kennedy was put on the "No Fly List" by mistake and despite expensive legal efforts and big political muscle he could never get off of it. Why you wonder?

Because these Terror Watch lists are creations of the Khazarian Mafia Kingpins. They are visible indicators of their unbridled twisted, sick, evil power produced by their infiltration and hijacking of America through their private pernicious usury debt-note private Fiat counterfeit Ponzi-type central banking system.

We may see increased harassment and abuse of phony domestic terror watch lists.

We may see increased harassment by local police, alphabets as ordered by DHS, according to their whacked out "watch lists" that include almost everyone but the real domestic terrorists who are the Khazarian Mafia leaders and the top officials of DHS, whose job is to terrorize Americans into subservience and compliance and take away all our Constitutional Rights.

On the other hand, we may see such a rapid loss of functional day to day power by the Khazarian Mafia and their police state mechanism, DHS, that we do not see a big increase in surveillance and harassment. Maybe we will even see less now that the Khazarian Mafia is cornered and being pressed from all sides by the World and by We The People.



The confidential domestic terror "Watch Lists" lists were personally prepared under the watchful direction of Janet Napolitano while she was head of DHS.

These were leaked and published on the Internet by DHS insiders who thought she and DHS was a joke but wanted to keep their pay and benefits, so we know for certain they exist and what is on them. Even though she resigned her position at DHS, she is being sued by subordinate men for sexual harassment and for moving their office into the men's lavatory, among other things.

A couple of nights ago while driving at night in the early evening, I was pulled over and needlessly roused by a local police Officer, who claimed I crossed over the line three times on a stretch of road with no other traffic close by.



This fine very young lady police officer tailed me for a couple miles and then pulled me over. I don't drink, use drugs, speed or drive carelessly, nor did I did not cross over any lines.

After the usual license and insurance check, the Officer let me go with no ticket. But she asked me a question about something irrelevant that could she have only known about from information gained by a local stingray tap or from the local DHS Fusion Center. Not very professional. She was rousing me, and it was a message that I received and am now responding to.

A Deal with the Devil at Langley?

In this same Department some years back, the prior Police Chief was provided a free trip to Langley for a special meeting. During that meeting, he was asked by the CIA to sign a secret Jurisdictional Agreement on behalf of his Department in which he agreed to submit jurisdiction on any case to the Feds that they requested.



Major amounts of military grade equipment was to be provided in exchange, including two armored cars, grenade launchers, full-auto real assault rifles and machine guns, body armor, bullet proof barriers and lots of military grade ammo.

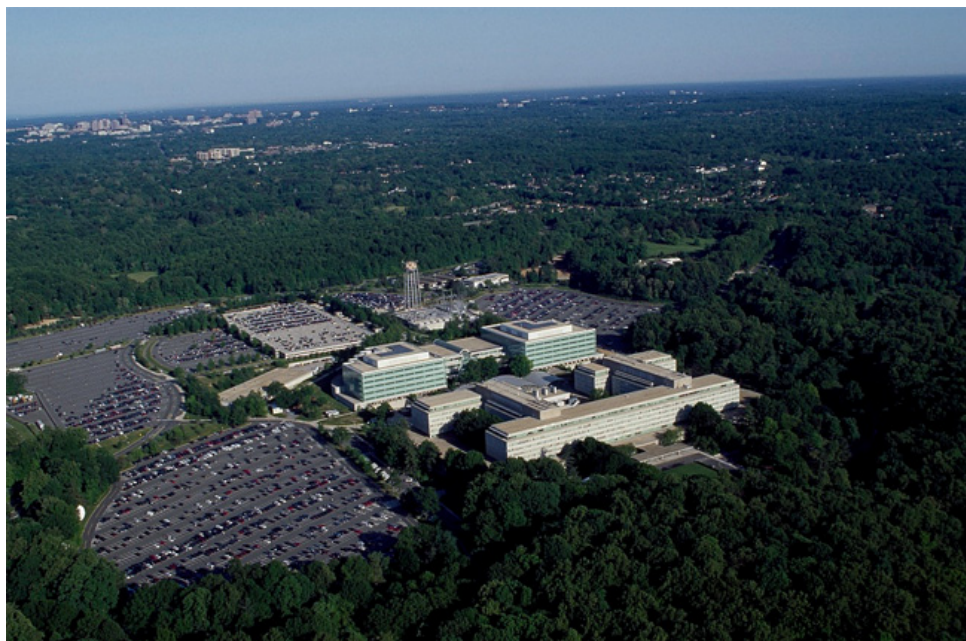
The Chief was an honorable man with integrity and refused to sign the agreement. Did he develop a strange neurological condition soon after that and have to resign?

Did the CIA keep secretly working with a couple corrupt officers to distribute illegal drugs to high school kids from "DEA controlled deliveries", a local smaller "feeder airport" through a seafood import "proprietary", with a local drug task force (with special license plates to identify each other) either looking the other way or involved. Betcha this hasn't stopped.



The department got a new Chief and now has the equipment offered. You can be sure that this secret transaction has already been successfully made in almost every large Urban Police Department. So far, a significant number of Sheriff's offices have refused. The County Sheriff is the supreme law enforcement officer in any county and has authority even over the Feds.

Be clear about this, these deals with the Devil at Langley to get jurisdiction over your local police are all driven by the Khazarian Mafia Kingpins who are Neo-Bolsheviks who plan to use DHS and our local Police to terrorize us, tyrannize us, completely asset strip us and then mass-murder us.



Supposedly all these "1033 Program" military equipment transfers for the big stuff have been stopped. Don't believe it, that is mere propaganda, and the only big stuff going back is for updated electronic warfare systems, new advanced weaponry or for repair and major maintenance.

For now until the Khazarian Mafia's back is broken, expect increased surveillance and harassment by local police if you are in one of the categories on their watch lists (which is about half of the American people).

This is the kind of surveillance and increased harassment Gun owners, Ron Paul supporters, Veterans, libertarians, Christians, Islamics, Patriots, anti-war activists, dissidents and alternative media reporters and journalists can expect more of as the Khazarian Mafia's power is choked off by the whole World that is now ganging up on it.



DHS is here to militarize the American Police and turn America into a Neo-Bolshevik Stasi-style Police State and transform it into GAZA II with all Americans the New Palestinians. Once that is accomplished the Khazarian Mafia plans to treat Americans the same way Bolsheviks treated innocent Russian civilians.

It raped, tortured and mass murdered 100 million of them. The Khazarian Mafia is Neo-Bolshevik and its top Policy-Makers are from the same age old bloodlines. They have recorded their intentions in stone at the Georgia Guidestones so we know this for certain.

But here's the deal. America is not Russia in 1917 and is the most armed up populace in the World. Despite all the recent efforts of the Khazarian Mafia to force our so-called "elected politicians" to disarm Americans, it will never happen. Americans have been buying guns at an increasing rate ever since the Khazarian Mafia deployed all these mass-shootings in gun free zones and major efforts to grab our guns began in earnest.

Of course, most County Sheriffs in America are populist oriented and part of their local communities and elected because of the respect they have gained and maintained. But even large urban police are starting to wake up.



They have a dangerous enough job already thanks to the CIA drug trafficking into urban cities for black ops money and theirs and the BATF's continuing gun sales to gangs, especially MS 13 and the Las Zetas who were trained by the US Military inside the USA.

Most American urban police officers have no intention of going door to door to fulfill some crazy unConstitutional Presidential PDD or even a new Congressional law passed. They do not want to turn honest law-abiding American Gun-owners, hunters and Veterans into a Solzenitzen-type spontaneously erupting vigilante counter-force that shoots with bigger bore, more accurate, longer reaching rifles than they can.

Most police officers want to go home to their families at the end of the day, and they know that the anger of the average American is now growing against the out of control militarized swat teams that attack the wrong homes and often kill and maim innocent women and young children.

Smart Officers and chiefs want to establish good community relations and be seen as the community as helpers and public servants, not their oppressors working for the ADL and DHS. By the way, most large urban police departments are trained by the ADL to view the average civilian as real or potential domestic terrorists, especially gun owners.

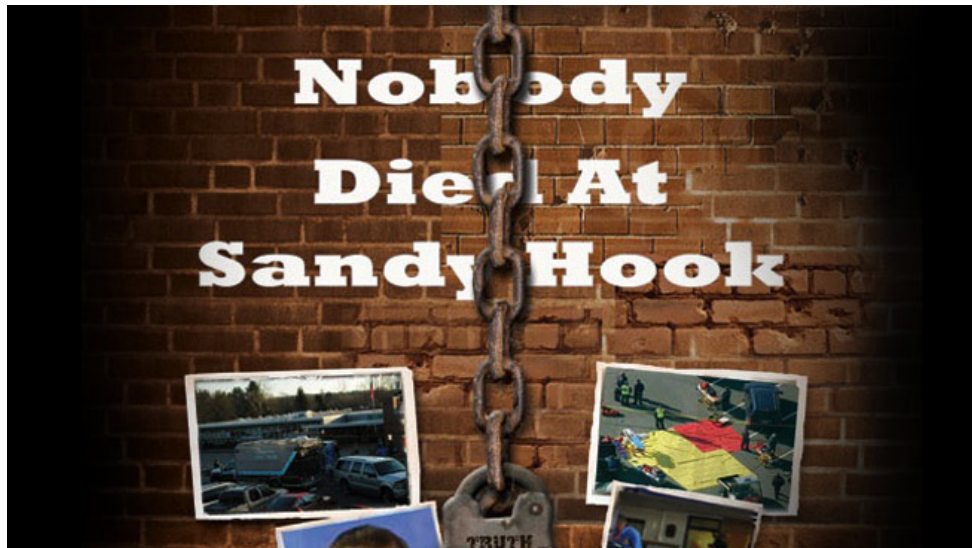
Now because of the recent public concern for increased mass-shootings and terrorism, many police are changing their minds on gun control and actually favor conceal-carry by law abiding citizens who have met the standards and have proper training.



Too many Chiefs of big urban departments are given free junkets to Israel for such training, and while there are served some very special Koolaid in their drinks and given some sophisticated psychotronic mind-control indoctrination training.

Take the recent case when a dumb swat team broke in the wrong home with no proper warrant and threw a stun grenade into a baby's crib, burning and blowing off part of the young child's face. Or the many cases where the wrong homes are stormed by out of control savage swat looking for a few \$10 rocks, and innocent life is criminally taken in an instant.

Or all the illegal, unConstitutional seizures of cash and autos from innocent non-drug dealers, taken and placed into police and Federal coffers often into the private pockets of corrupt supervisors and chiefs and judges.



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And many Americans are starting to catch on to the fact that some of these mass-shootings in gun-free zones are real with real dead victims, while others like Sandy Hook are faked.

But that all are engineered, staged false-flag attacks on the Second Amendment. This has kept folks confused up until now, but thanks to the efforts of hundreds of tireless researchers the truth is now being published all over the Internet and is now readily available for all.

Conclusion:

One thing is certain, the Khazarian Mafia is now cornered and its hegemony is rapidly being eroded. Its false-flag efforts to disarm Americans and any other efforts to do so will fail.

The Khazarian Mafia is now doomed by the whole World which is building massive financial firewalls against it and ganging-up on it. The Khazarian Mafia is being deconstructed bit by bit and you can expect they will have a hard landing and because they are such two-faced psychopaths, they will keep lying and murdering until the end.



Undoubtedly the Big Squeeze is now on the Khazarian Mafia, they are cornered and increasingly desperate and their private Fiat pernicious usury debt-based counterfeit money system has become a Ponzi scheme nearing collapse.

And the BRICS System is just one of many new financial firewalls being built up against the Khazarian Mafia's financial hegemony which is now destined to fail.

There are certain factions in the Pentagon and American Intel which have so far been strong enough to place strong limits on what the Khazarian Mafia can do to retaliate, and they have been blocked from starting a nuclear WW3 with Russia as intended.

Efforts by Senator John McCain and other Traitors like the retired General commanding ISIS have also failed.

And all their recent efforts to attack Russia through Crimea and to destroy Syria and Iran have also failed because of the new military power and technological supremacy of the Russian Federation under the dynamic leadership of President Putin.



If these reports are true that China is severely restricting their container shipping companies until the Khazarian Mafia honors the Secret Reset Agreement, this is indeed a very interesting development. And if true it suggests that all the hype in the CMMM that China's economy is worse than ours is likely exaggerated.

A better guess is that China has prepared for this for quite a while and is no longer so dependent on American sales, perhaps already having established some lucrative new markets with Russia, South America, Malaysia and other trading partners. Is this part of a major economic trap for the Khazarian Mafia and its US Petro Dollar? In time we shall find out, and it make not take too long.

Couple Receives Notice Of Search 12 Months After It Happened And Why That Should Worry You To The Extreme

January 19 2016 | From: [AotearoaAWiderPerspective](#)

A golden bay couple received a letter from the police. Attached to that was a signed search warrant. What was also attached was a "postponement" notice. The search had taken place, without their presence, 12 months earlier.



It appears that the police felt they could have something to do with a threat issued against Fonterra. the threat was that milk powder would be contaminated with 1080.

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The couple, who had an impeccable record of non-violence and peaceful activism both here and in their native country Germany, was stunned to learn that the police had been in their house and had gathered hair tooth paste swabs and computer printouts. They had also downloaded telephone data and other storage data from their computers, and Ipad. They were also stunned that the police had been allowed to do so without their presence and been able to keep it secret for 12 months.

During the period National has been in power several draconian law changes where pushed through. One of them the the way the police can search your home and the way they can spy on you.

While most law abiding citizens assumed that it was to help the police find real nasty criminals such as drug dealers and gang members involved in crime or dangerous terrorists, for those of us political activists and bloggers it was just a matter of time for these powers to be used for the intimidation of people involved in activism of any kind.



The Kleinen family being a perfect example of people who are active and politically aware and who still had a modicum of trust in the system. From the article you will learn that they are no longer willing to cooperate with the police or even contact them.

For them to find out a year after the fact that the police had been in their home secretly in January 2015 and had taken personal and private information as well as samples of their DNA without their knowledge as well as raiding their home another time in March 2015 when they were present broke whatever trust they have and it will do so for a lot more people.

While the fact that the police can enter your home without your presence, secretly and without supervision is terrifying in and of itself just imagine what could happen if this becomes the norm and the police see this as a normal part of their investigation.



What is next?

Will they start planting evidence if they don't like your political views?

Will they, as we witnessed in the Nicky Hager raid, lie to the judge to get search warrants for their political masters and set people the government doesn't like up to be jailed after kangaroo court proceedings? Some 20 million Russians were killed in Russia by Stalin whose secret police and KGB torture centres and kangaroo court judges were willingly complicit in doing just that!

The experience this couple has had will play out ever more brutally in the coming years if we don't fight this tooth and nail!

New "X-Files" Will Take On 9/11 Conspiracy, World Government And NSA Spying

January 18 2016 | From: [ActivistPost](#)

Government corruption was always one of the main themes that played out in the classic television show [X-Files](#), and it was typically shown in the form of UFO and alien cover-ups.



However, the show's creator said in a recent interview that the new revival of the series will also touch on some of the more political conspiracies that take place in our world.

X-Files creator Chris Carter said Edward Snowden and issues like the 9/11 conspiracy will be fair game in the new revival of the show. The new series will feature the same classic characters, David Duchovny as Fox Mulder and Gillian Anderson as Dana Scully.

"A lot of the rights and liberties that were signed away [with the Patriot Act] are being abused now, and no one seems to care," Carter said.

"We see the admitted spying by the government. These are not things we're making up and it informs everything Mulder and Scully are doing," he added.

[Entertainment Weekly](#) reported that the new series featured issues like, "war in the Middle East, NSA spying, chem-trails (here called 'aerial contaminants'), police militarization, supposed FEMA prison camps, and the eventual military 'takeover of America' by a UN-like group of 'multinational elites.'"

"The idea of a New World Order is relevant," Carter says.

The article states that this elaborate web of conspiracies will tie back to the alien cover-up that took center stage in the older series.

Carter continued;

"I've kept my finger to the wind and trying to figure out what's relevant and possible credible. People know the show deals with science and fact and also deals with far-flung theories about not only the supernatural but government conspiracies.

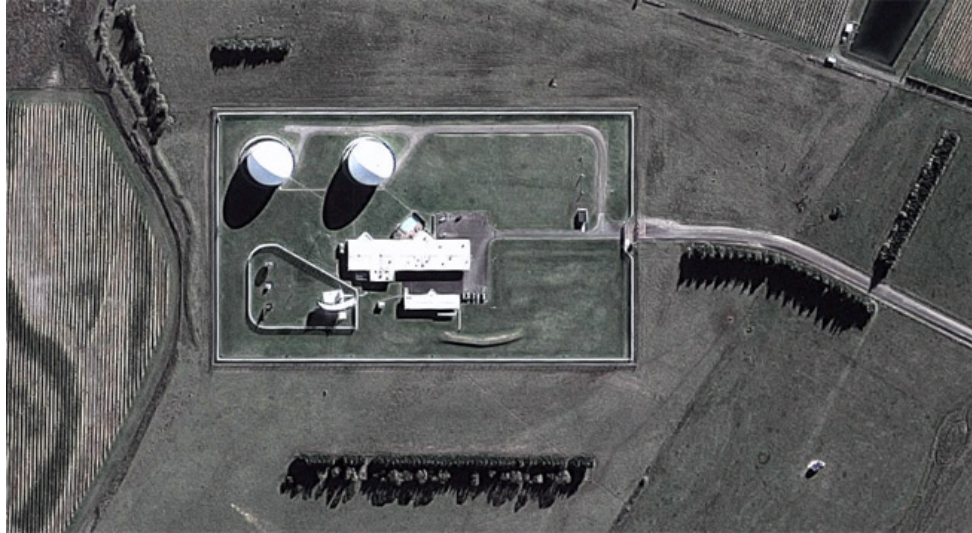
It throws out as many questions as it does answers. And I have to say what it's done for me and the writers it has given us a whole new open field which to run. It's given the show an interesting new life and context that it might not have had in 2002."



The Biggest Leak In History Reaches New Zealand

January 7 2016 | From: [Converge](#) / [NickyHager](#)

During 2015 the Edward Snowden leaks relating to New Zealand finally reached the news, the largest number of secret intelligence documents about New Zealand ever to reach the public. Snowden revelations had been appearing country by country for two years before they arrived here, so there is a risk that they might be taken a bit for granted.



But we do well to remember that leaks like this are not at all the normal state of affairs. The usual state with intelligence agencies is simply silence: no information, no news and no debate, unless of course the agencies themselves have chosen to release some self-justifying public relations.

It is inevitable that we will return to that silence before too long, so we should make the most of the rare insights that Edward Snowden has given us.

What follows is an overview of what we've learned; first the global picture and then about New Zealand in the Five Eyes alliance (US, UK, Canada, Australia, NZ). The most well-publicised and shocking news in the Snowden documents was the scale of surveillance by the US-UK intelligence agencies:

Tapping undersea cables, eavesdropping covertly from embassy buildings in numerous foreign capitals, intercepting the Internet in numerous ways, hacking into computer and telecom networks, routinely accessing US-based companies like Google and Facebook and much, much more.

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No, Everyone Doesn't Do It

Some apologists say "everyone does it". But that isn't factually true.

The Anglo-American surveillance network outstrips all other big powers in trying to spy on the whole Internet and all the communications on earth. It is a bizarre, science fiction-like mission. Two things have driven the massive expansion of surveillance. The most important is the growth of digital electronics.

Sixty five years ago when the Five Eyes alliance began, the primary target of electronic spying was long distance radio. The five agencies used every technical opportunity to monitor and extract usable intelligence from this sole medium of communication.

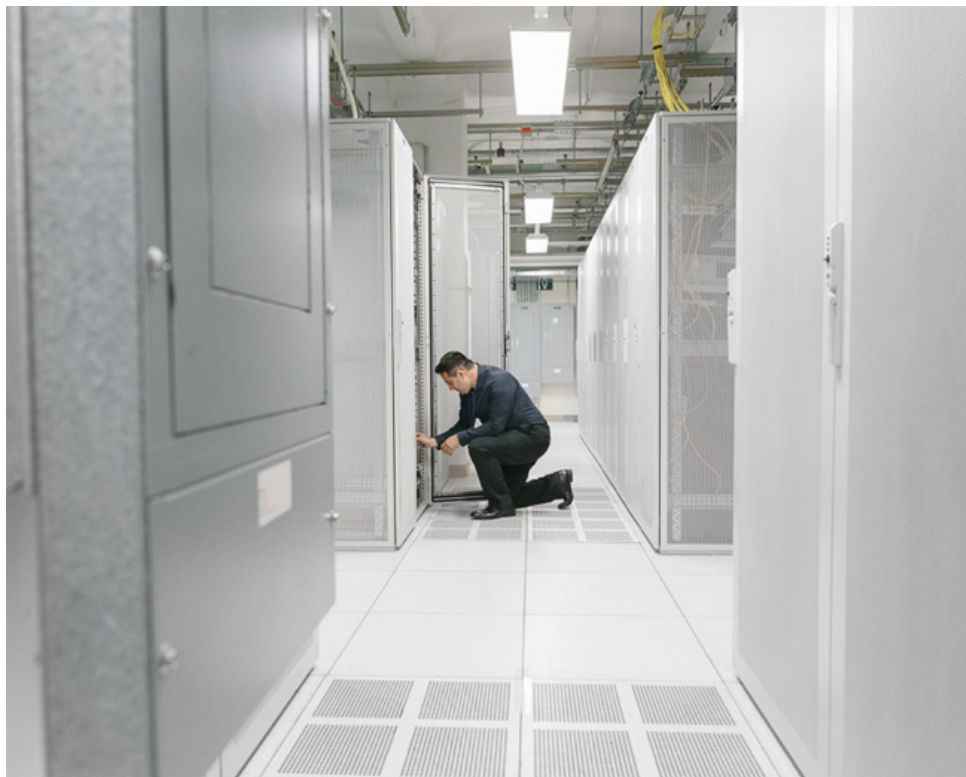
Twenty years ago - early in the digital age - when New Zealand intelligence staff told me about the alliance-wide mass surveillance systems used at the Waihopai station, the bulk communications of the world were relayed via satellites and these were the focus of the electronic spy agencies. This intelligence source was exploited to the maximum extent possible.



But today there are thousands of different digital systems and networks that communicate and store information. Each tiny detail of the booting of a computer, each aspect of a social media platform, each component of a mobile phone: they all provide potential vulnerabilities and access points for the teams of the electronic spies.

This is what the Snowden documents revealed. This is why the scale of surveillance has increased so much. The Anglo-American intelligence agencies continue to believe they should spy to the maximum extent possible and technology has hugely increased what is possible.

Technical opportunity combined fatefully with political opportunity. The September 11, 2001 attacks gave the intelligence agencies greatly increased resources and political support to expand their operations. Now, 14 years later, the September 11 attacks are in the past and many people understand the mess created by the War on Terror. But all the main elements of the mass surveillance regime built in those years remains.



The electronic spy agencies have a profound effect on world politics. The primary purpose of intelligence agencies is to help their countries to have power and influence over other countries; much the same role as military force. Intelligence agencies are the unseen influences in every international issue and dispute. This is, at heart, what it means to be a Five Eyes intelligence ally: taking sides in these international issues and disputes.

Some publicity of the Snowden revelations has made it seem as though the main casualties of mass surveillance systems were Americans and allied citizens, as national security intelligence gathering systems were secretly turned against domestic populations.

There is more on this subject below. But the main use by far of the Five Eyes intelligence systems is spying on the rest of the world. That is what the agencies are for, that is where the vast majority of the casualties are and that is the subject that

most deserves our concern.

NZ Spies On Friends

The New Zealand-related Snowden revelations instantly made this clear. As the headline of the first newspaper story said: "The Price Of The Five Eyes Club: Mass Spying On Friendly Nations". A Government Communications Security Bureau (GCSB) report, obtained by Snowden from the computers of the National Security Agency (NSA), showed the New Zealand agency routinely spying on Samoa, Tuvalu, Nauru, Kiribati and all our other Pacific neighbours.



Private information on their governments, diplomats, economic negotiation positions and everything else from these supposed friends is handed on to the Five Eyes partners. The details are [here](#).

Some commentators argued that New Zealand needs to know the secrets of these nations for national security reasons, but that is weak and missed the point. The reason why New Zealand spies on these countries is as a long-term duty within the Anglo-American intelligence alliance.

The world is divided up between the US and its allies and New Zealand's agency got the job of spying on every country from French Polynesia to the Solomon Islands.

Old alliance obligations are put ahead of everything else. It is worth remembering that agencies like the GCSB get their legitimacy from the idea that they are fighting threats to the very security of the country.

That is how they built up their powers: Cold War-type spying justified for dire Cold War-type threats. But there has been endless mission drift and normalising of the use of national security-type capabilities against targets that are not a serious threat at all. The South Pacific microstates are a sad example of this.



Other leaked documents showed GCSB staff used the NSA's XKeyscore system to monitor the emails of senior public servants in the [Solomon Islands government](#). New Zealand was running inconsistent public and private foreign policies. In one, New Zealand is friendly to, and supports, the Solomons; in the other, New Zealand sells out the Solomons to gain political benefits in its US and UK relations.

The GCSB duties in the alliance cover many other countries too, as listed in an April 2013 NSA profile of the GCSB in a section headed "What Partner Provides to NSA". The review said the GCSB "continues to be especially helpful in its ability to provide NSA ready access to areas and countries ... difficult for the US to access".

It said the "[GCSB provides collection on China, Japanese/North Korean/Vietnamese/South American diplomatic communications, South Pacific island nations, Pakistan, India, Iran and Antarctica](#)".



These targets are largely disconnected from the rest of New Zealand's foreign policies and are not really about New Zealand's relations with those countries and territories at all. They are mainly about contributing to the intelligence alliance in its mission of spying on the whole world.

A strange example of this is New Zealand helping to spy on Bangladesh. The main security threat by far to Bangladesh is flooding because of climate change. New Zealand could be helping. We could give aid. But, unbeknown to the New Zealand Parliament and public, New Zealand's main (in fact, practically only) interaction with that country is helping spy on it, as part of the US war on terror. [The story can be read here.](#)

Spying On Chinese Consulate

Some of the GCSB spying has more direct and serious implications for New Zealand. The most striking example of this is about whether it is sensible for New Zealand to spy on its possibly most important trading partner to show its loyalty to old colonial intelligence ties.

The Government needs the best information possible to make decisions that protect and advance New Zealand's interests.

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This is about China. In public, the National government professes close and friendly relations with China. Many of the Government's economic plans revolve around increasing exports to that country. And it is strongly in New Zealand's interests not to get caught in big power rivalry between the US and China. But in secret, within the spy agencies, China comes first on the list of intelligence targets that New Zealand takes on for the US-led intelligence alliance.

Probably the most surprising thing we found in the Snowden papers was plans for a joint GCSB-NSA operation to hack into the communications of the [Chinese Consulate in Auckland](#).

If New Zealand has secrets worth stealing, then they're worth protecting.

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This seems almost crazy, with little practical gain likely compared to the obvious risks. But up until 2013, when Snowden left the NSA with his trove of internal documents, planning was full steam ahead for breaking international law and tapping into the Consulate communications. We wrote the story carefully, because Snowden's access to documents stopped before there was time to see that that the Consulate spying was underway.

But my view was that it was such a sensitive subject that the Government would quickly deny the story if the spying had not gone ahead. When the story was published, the Government said nothing.

Threats to New Zealand's interests do not respect national boundaries.

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Intelligence agencies like to hint about the remarkable intelligence that New Zealand receives in exchange for contributing to the Five Eyes alliance. However the leaked GCSB and NSA documents contained far more about what New Zealand gives to the NSA than what it gets in return. The main benefit to New Zealand appears to be that New Zealand spies get access to high-tech NSA surveillance and analysis technology: setting up and training New Zealand staff to be able to contribute to the alliance-wide intelligence missions.

Spying For Tim Groser

There was only one story about New Zealand using its access to the international intelligence systems to get a particular benefit for New Zealand. It's a grubby and embarrassing story.



The story dates from early 2013, when Trade Minister Tim Groser was frantically travelling the world lobbying to be [appointed as Director General of the World Trade Organisation](#).

Candidates from eight other countries - Indonesia, Mexico, South Korea, Brazil, Kenya, Ghana, Jordan and Costa Rica - were also going for the job. The National government used the Five Eyes Internet mass surveillance systems to spy on the other candidates' emails.

In other words, it cheated, using the intelligence agency to do a favour for a mate. It is hard to imagine a more petty use of national security systems. That's what they got in return for spying on our friends, trading partners and neighbours. The final revelations worth mentioning are about the Waihopai station. Internal GCSB documents revealed for the first time precisely what systems are used there. I recommend [this article](#), or [here with the illustrations](#).

Waihopai's Odd Codenames

The Snowden-leaked documents reveal that the Waihopai staff use all of the following systems:

- Apparition** - finds position of isolated "VSAT" satellite users
- Darkquest** - analyses satellite communications
- Fallowhaunt** - targets "VSAT" satellite communications
- Juggernaut** - targets and processes cellphone communications
- Latentheath** - breaks the intercepted satellite signals down into individual messages
- Legalreptile** - collects text messages and call metadata
- Lopers** - searches for phone numbers in intercepted messages
- Semitone** - processes fax and voice messages
- Stonegate** - collects and processes dial-up and fax modem data
- Surfboard** - targets land-line phones
- Venusafect** - "command and control" of other systems
- Wealthycluster** - processes digital comms, especially voice over Internet protocol (VoIP)
- Xkeyscore** - targets and processes bulk Internet traffic.

Plus others with equally odd names for which we could not figure out the function. These are not GCSB or New Zealand systems. They are NSA systems, standard equipment in one of the standardised Five Eyes satellite interception stations dotted around the world.

They are a reminder of how thoroughly un-New Zealand the Waihopai operation is.

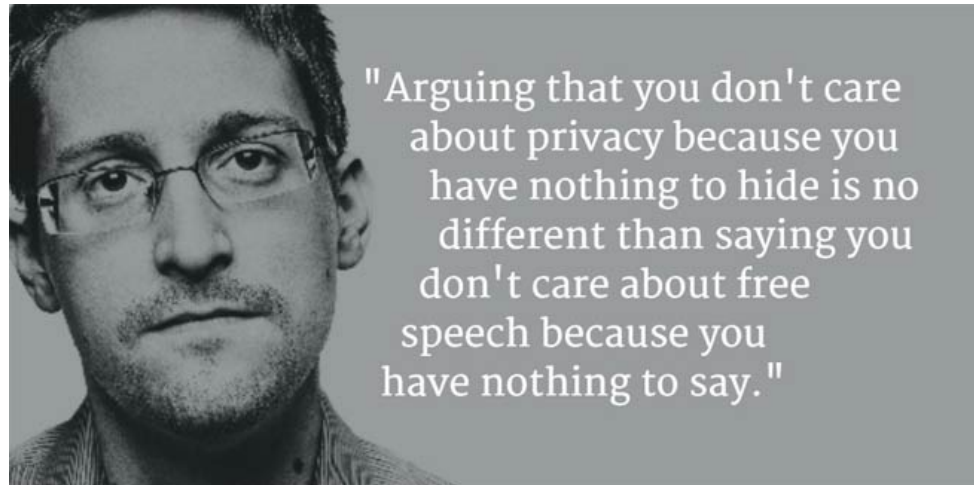
The final subject raised by the Snowden revelations is how much the Five Eyes intelligence systems have been turned against these countries' own citizens.

Spying On New Zealanders

Back when I was interviewing a range of GCSB staff in the 1990s, they assured me that there were strict rules against any of the Five Eyes agencies spying on their own or one of the other four countries' citizens. Except in exceptional situations, I think this was true.

It is now clear that technological change and the War on Terror politics have changed this. I think it is very important to be as precise as possible on this subject.

The idea of mass surveillance (whether it is correct or not) has an insidious and damaging effect on people. It corrodes our sense of private space and of private thoughts, and our sense of self. This means that people speaking publicly about the effects of intelligence activities have to be careful not to create needless fear. I will run through what I think is, and is not, going on.



First, following the Snowden revelations there have been claims that everyone is being monitored all the time: every time they take out a library book, speak on the phone or go on the Internet. This is not true and it's vital that we reassure people. The principle underlying mass surveillance systems is that they do try to catch everyone's communications in a giant spy net, so that when they want to target someone or some subject, the data is available.

But this does not mean that everyone is being actively watched; that some shadowy intelligence officer somewhere is actually monitoring those library books and emails.

Something like 99.99% of people caught in the electronic net will never be actively monitored. Sometimes their Internet browsing may be incidentally caught in an overseas Internet capture system, but it will almost certainly remain an unexamined piece of hay in a huge intelligence haystack.



We should be concerned about the real target groups (for instance currently some Muslim people) but we should not spread unnecessary fear to others. Nearly everyone who ever worries that they might be a target of mass surveillance systems is luckily wrong. They can live their lives feeling unviolated because it is genuinely alright.

The next point is that there is no evidence of mass surveillance systems in New Zealand. What I mean is that there is no evidence that internal New Zealand communications are intercepted en masse and processed into metadata or other intelligence. That is what the GCSB helps do to other countries, but not what happens here.

When Police or other Government agencies want to monitor a New Zealander or person within New Zealand, they mostly use a completely separate system. These systems are known in the trade as "LI" (lawful interception) systems.

A 2004 law (the Telecommunications (Interception Capability) Act) made it obligatory for all telcos, Internet service providers (ISPs) and network companies to install interception-capable equipment.



This means that when the Police or other agencies want to monitor an individual or group, they can get a warrant, plug into the company's servers via the LI back doors and extract all the specified people's data.

This is the same law enforcement arrangement seen in many similar countries which, like New Zealand, were lobbied in the 1990s and early 2000s by the US Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) to introduce the systems. But it is designed for targeted monitoring with a warrant. That's how it is mostly done in New Zealand. It has bad aspects, but nonetheless is more like traditional phone tapping than mass surveillance.

Thus the way it is supposed to work is that the GCSB/Five Eyes systems are used on other countries, but only the LI systems are used within New Zealand for investigating crimes and so on.

Stay Tuned For A Convenient Law Change

Then came the War on Terror, when increasingly the US and allied intelligence agencies turned their national security-style systems onto their own citizens. At the same time the growth of the Internet has meant that New Zealanders' communications can often be caught in the spy nets far away.

Nowadays, hundreds of thousands of New Zealanders' Internet traffic will be caught in Five Eyes Internet surveillance as it passes over US and British territory and automatically "ingested" into gigantic databases of Internet metadata (a record of who was communicating with whom, when and where.)

This doesn't mean New Zealanders are being actively targeted and it doesn't mean that anyone will actively look at most people's data.

But it does mean that it is a lie that New Zealanders are not being monitored in GCSB-aided mass surveillance systems.

When John Key assured the public that there was no mass surveillance of New Zealanders, he was referring to tapping of undersea cables. But the place that the GCSB definitely does mass surveillance is satellite communications monitored at Waihopai and that is where New Zealanders are being caught.



This is an issue right now. Large numbers of New Zealanders are being inadvertently caught in GCSB mass surveillance systems and by law this should not be occurring. So despite rewriting its laws to legalise the last round of unlawful GCSB monitoring, it appears the GCSB is still unlawfully monitoring a large number of New Zealanders (such as those communicating in the Pacific region).

Following the New Zealand Snowden revelations, the Inspector General of Intelligence and Security is currently investigating this situation. The GCSB will be looking for a way to legalise these latest unlawful operations. I suspect that the agencies will use the current far-from-independent Intelligence Review to get a recommendation for a convenient law change.

So, sadly, New Zealand has in part caught up with the rest of the world. Our citizens are affected by the Five Eyes surveillance systems like people in all the rest of the world.

No Controls Or Limits On Foreign Spying

But, as I said, if we care about minimising the harm to people we will not overstate it. These systems affect people everywhere but least of all in the Five Eyes nations, including New Zealand. Even where New Zealanders are caught in the net, this is not the same as active targeting and monitoring.



We should care far more about the publics and governments of other countries, who are constant targets of the Five Eyes harvest. For them there are no controls and no limits, and in our region it is silently aided by New Zealand through the GCSB.

Alex Jones Exposes The Truth Behind Star Wars

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Once again, science fiction mirrors reality...



Star Wars: The Force Awakens has hit theaters, continuing the cinematic saga of an interplanetary civilization's struggles with galactic war and tyranny.

Alex Jones breaks down the hidden truth behind the Star Wars films detailing the global warfare driven by a planetary empire on the verge of descending into a militarized police state.

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Worst Anti-Privacy Bill Since The Patriot Act, Passes Hidden In A Budget Bill And Media Is Silent

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On Friday, Congress passed a \$1.15 trillion omnibus spending package to continue funding the federal government, which included an already defeated, and extremely controversial cyber security bill, that was inserted into the spending package as a means of assuring its passage.



Sorry, they got their way this time

In spite of this massive revelation and horrific blow to privacy, the mainstream media remains mum. While many outlets are covering the passage of the spending bill, they are completely omitting anything about CISA.

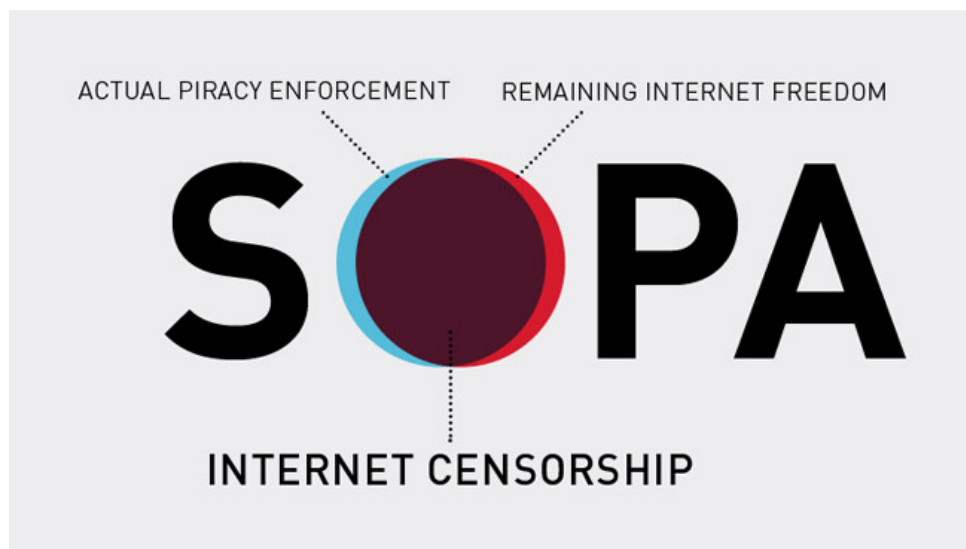
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[The New York Times](#), for example, broke the story Friday morning about Congress passing the omnibus measure. However, they conveniently left out any mention of CISA.

Aside from the tech sites who know about the dangers of this measure, the [entire realm of mainstream media is choosing to remain silent](#).

The Cyber Information Sharing Act (CISA), quietly pushed back in 2014 before being shut down by civil rights and privacy advocates, was added into the Omnibus Appropriations Bill by House Speaker Paul Ryan as a means circumventing rampant opposition to the anti-privacy legislation.

First it was SOPA, but they couldn't get that through:



SOPA Related: [The TPPA Is Worse Than We Thought: Environmental Risks, Runaway Corporate Power, Weakened Democracy: A Total Corporate Power Grab Nightmare](#)

Then they came up with CISPA, but they couldn't get that through.



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If they can't get what they want through in one bill, they morph it into another and keep on truckin' until they do:



The CISA legislation, which Rep. Justin Amash called ["the worst anti-privacy legislation since the USA PATRIOT Act."](#) has now been passed by Congress and will be signed into law by President Obama as part of the government spending package.

Advocates of the CISA provisions say their aim is to help prevent cyber threats, but critics say that the legislation essentially gives corporations legal immunity when sharing consumers' private data about hacks and digital breaches with the Department of Homeland Security.

According to a report by [Wired](#):

"It creates the ability for the president to set up "portals" for agencies like the FBI and the Office of the Director of National Intelligence, so that companies hand information directly to law enforcement and intelligence agencies instead of to the Department of Homeland Security.

And it also changes when information shared for cybersecurity reasons can be used for law enforcement investigations. The earlier bill had only allowed that backchannel use of the data for law enforcement in cases of "imminent threats," while the new bill requires just a "specific threat," potentially allowing the search of the data for any specific terms regardless of timeliness."

Originally, the CISA anti-privacy legislation was shelved after a public outcry against the bill, but corporations soon realized the bill would provide them with legal immunity for sharing customers' private data with the government and began a renewed effort to pass CISA.

And miraculously, even in defeat, a bad bill became worse, and a crisis became an opportunity.

"They took a bad bill, and they made it worse," Robyn Greene, policy counsel for the Open Technology Institute, told Wired.

"They've got this bill that's kicked around for years and had been too controversial to pass, so they've seen an opportunity to push it through without debate. And they're taking that opportunity."

By including [CISA into the government's overall spending package](#), it meant that for anti-privacy legislation to be defeated the spending bill had to also be defeated, which would have meant a government shutdown beginning next week.

"Unfortunately, this misguided cyber legislation does little to protect Americans' security and a great deal more to threaten our privacy than the flawed Senate version."

Americans demand real solutions that will protect them from foreign hackers, not knee-jerk responses that allow companies to fork over huge amounts of their customers' private data with only cursory review." Sen. Ron Wyden said of the insertion of the CISA into the spending bill."

It's a shameful testament to the power of corporations and the intelligence community, to craft legislation that the American people clearly don't support and then hide it within a budget bill to gain passage of the legislation, due to the fact that the public would never support it otherwise. What's more is that the Praetorian guard, also known as the mainstream media is choosing to keep it out of the public's eye.

"There's plenty wrong with this omnibus, but there's nothing more egregious than the cyber language they secretly slipped in," Rep. Justin Amash (R-Mich.) told The Hill by email.

Sadly, this seems to be business as usual in Washington, D.C.



When corporations and government craft and push their own legislation, which by large measure individuals and the public don't support, corporate fascism is clearly at the doorstep. A dangerous stage is being set for turnkey totalitarianism in the United States.

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Gordon Campbell On The Police Harassment Of Nicky Hager

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So now we know. If you've done something to really annoy the Establishment – hello, Kim Dotcom, Heather Du Plessis Allen, Nicky Hager and teapot tapes photographer Bradley Ambrose



Not only will you rocket to the top of the priority list for the Police and their scant resources, but chances are they'll overstep their lawful authority while turning you over.

Meanwhile the dodgy behaviours and payments documented in Hager's book *Dirty Politics* will go un- investigated. How many more examples of Police partiality in the use of its investigative discretion do we need?

The Police are a tool. Cross their political masters and you'll pay the price.

In the case of the Hager investigation there are several disturbing aspects. Beforehand, the Police knew they were unlikely to find any evidence relevant to the identity of the hacker they were trying to find. Hager was officially not a suspect. Justice Clifford's decision says that this was a mission motivated by little more than hope.



Secondly, what the judge called the Police's "fundamental error" was that they failed to reveal to the District Court judge issuing the search warrant that the target of their warrant was a journalist – and therefore someone likely to enjoy the protections afforded to journalists under the Evidence Act.

This looks particularly suspicious when – at 8.30am in a search that went on to 6pm – the Police actually *asked* Hager whether he wanted to invoke his journalistic privilege. Which Hager immediately did. As a result, this prevented the Police from examining the material they were gathering.

It became evidence that had to be bagged and sealed, and could be opened subsequently only at the order of (another) judge. Therefore, if this was a raid designed to get evidence that would quickly uncover the hacker's identity, it had become pointless almost as soon as the Police gained entry to Hager's house.

The more important point being: If the Police knew about the probability of journalistic privilege being invoked, why didn't they tell the District Court judge beforehand – in which case, the judge might have asked them some awkward questions.



With hindsight, it looks like a willful lack of disclosure by the Police officers concerned. (Lets leave aside for now the issue of how the Police managed to find a judge who must be the only person in New Zealand unaware that this Nicholas Alfred Hager bloke named on the warrant was, in fact, a journalist.

Did it not occur to the judge to ask any questions at all? Given that the scrutiny of the judge is supposed to be a check and balance on Police getting search warrants willy nilly, this part of the story isn't very re-assuring, either.)

So, where are we now? Hager has had his belongings (some of them the basic tools of his trade) held in Police custody for well over a year. Hopefully – if the Police don't appeal the decision – those belongings will now be returned, and lets hope that the inconvenience gets added to the compensation and damages payment Hager is now surely liable to receive, after being on the receiving end of an unlawful Police warrant and search.



Already there has been a lot of talk about how Justice Clifford's decision has set a precedent [and raised the bar on journalistic privilege](#). I don't really think so. The rules were already there in black and white in the Evidence Act, and the Police broke them at will.

If sufficiently motivated, they will do so again. The next time someone royally pisses off the political Establishment, it's a safe bet that the Police will come knocking on their door.

In this case, the Police were hoping to find something that might criminalise Hager, and shut him up for good. If that didn't happen, they could at least harass him, inconvenience him and disrupt his ability to do his work for months and months on end.

That goal has been achieved. Ultimately, you can bet no Police officer will be sanctioned over this affair. And as always, the taxpayers will pick up the compensation tab for the Police incompetence (and/or malice) that has marked their behavior on this occasion.

Police Raid On Nicky Hager's Home Ruled Unlawful

December 18 2015 | From: [AotearoaAWiderPerspective](#) / [RadioNZ](#)

Today was a good day for what remains of our besieged democracy! The police raid on Nicky Hager's home was ruled illegal and unlawful! My congratulations to Nicky Hager and many, many thanks for his courage and dignified response.



I know from experience how damaging and stressful both bullying on that scale and the subsequent effort to get justice can be. We need people like Nicky Hager to be able to do their work and we need whistle blowers to be safe when they expose people in power and their nasty dirty politics!

Related: [Privacy Implications Of Westpac's Release Of Nicky Hager's Personal Information](#)

Also my heartfelt gratitude for Justice Clifford for the clear and forceful ruling he has made!

There should be repercussions for the people involved and heads should roll over the bullying tactics of the police and their superiors!

The High Court in Wellington has found police failed to disclose relevant information to the judge who issued a search warrant.

The warrant was obtained and the search took place after blogger Cameron Slater laid a complaint when information from his computer, obtained by a hacker known as Rawshark, was published in Mr Hager's book *Dirty Politics*.

Justice Clifford declared the warrant was "fundamentally unlawful".

Speaking on *Checkpoint* Mr Hager said it was a good day for journalism;

"If this decision had gone the wrong way then all around the country, and into the future, there would have been people we needed to be speaking up on issues as sources – telling the media what was going, on letting the public know about things – who would have been more frightened of doing that."

He said the police action was a case of, "raid first and sort it out later."

What the police thought they could do... they thought they could raid the house, take all our stuff, and then sometime in the future in a court case decide whether they were allowed it or not."

Mr Hager said he was very happy with the decision, for his family and what he said were the important principles it upheld.

He said the public's right to receive information about the actions of people in positions of authority was at the heart of the case.

▶ [Listen to Mr Hager on Checkpoint](#) (4 min 47 sec)

Mr Hager said it also acknowledged that the confidential sources used in investigative journalism, and in his case his book *Dirty Politics*, deserved legal protection.

He said more hearings would follow on other police actions taken against him, and he would be seeking costs and damages. Mr Hager had asked the court to rule on the legality of the search warrant and the search of his home last October.

Police said they received Justice Clifford's decision this afternoon and would take time to study the decision and consider further legal options with Crown Law.

▶ [Crown admits breach in Hager search](#)

▶ [Crown responds to issues raised by Hager's lawyers](#)

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Donald Sutherland Explains The Real Meaning Of 'The Hunger Games' And Why Its Message Must Be Understood

December 1 2015 | From: [TheFreeThoughtProject](#)

There are some inside Hollywood, who are trying to wake up the world - Donald Sutherland is one of them.



Hollywood actor, Donald Sutherland just dropped a bombshell on the military industrial complex. Sutherland, who plays President Coriolanus Snow in the blockbuster movie series Hunger Games, was recently asked what the movie was really about – he held no punches in his answer.

"The young people who see this film must recognize that for the future 'blind faith in their leaders,' as Bruce Springsteen said, 'will get you dead.'"

Comment: It is interesting to note that the family 'Sutherland' is listed as one of the [top 300 family bloodlines of the Illuminati](#). However this does not mean that Donald is Illuminati, although his significance in the entertainment industry is curious.

The point is though, that just because a person has the surname of an Illuminati bloodline family does not necessarily mean that any such particular individual is "Illuminati".

My family name is on that same list also, and while I know there are some in my family line that are "Illuminati", I most certainly am not.

Sutherland continued:

"If there's any question as to what it's an allegory for I will tell you.

It is the powers that be in the United States of America. It's profiteers.

War is for profit. It's not "to save the world for democracy" or "for king and country.

*No, bulls**t.*

It's for the profit of the top 10%, and the young people who see this film must recognize that for the future 'blind faith in their leaders,' as Bruce Springsteen said, "will get you dead."

Those who are awake to the war machine, and have watched the movies or read the books, have undoubtedly seen the underlying anti-establishment theme within. However, those who do not notice it should heed Sutherland's words.



It is no question that war is for the profit of very few people. In fact, as the famous, two-time Medal of Honor recipient, Major General Smedley Butler of the USMC said;

"WAR is a racket. It always has been.

It is possibly the oldest, easily the most profitable, surely the most vicious. It is the only one international in scope. It is the only one in which the profits are reckoned in dollars and the losses in lives.

A racket is best described, I believe, as something that is not what it seems to the majority of the people. Only a small "inside" group knows what it is about. It is conducted for the benefit of the very few, at the expense of the very many. Out of war a few people make huge fortunes.

In the World War [I] a mere handful garnered the profits of the conflict. At least 21,000 new millionaires and billionaires were made in the United States during the World War. That many admitted their huge blood gains in their income tax returns. How many other war millionaires falsified their tax returns no one knows.

How many of these war millionaires shouldered a rifle? How many of them dug a trench? How many of them knew what it meant to go hungry in a rat-infested dug-out? How many of them spent sleepless, frightened nights, ducking shells and shrapnel and machine gun bullets? How many of them parried a bayonet thrust of an enemy? How many of them were wounded or killed in battle?"

Sutherland does get one thing wrong, however, and that is the percentage that he assigns to those who profit from war. It is nowhere near 10% as he states. Those who profit from war, as Smedley Butler points out above, are a tiny group of people. The ruling elite.



It's the weapons manufacturers, the arms dealers, the inside politicians, and the state itself. Everyone else involved in war, including those who die for it, are merely pawns. They are cogs in the machine whose only purpose is to spread death and destruction.

Please share this article and video so that others, who may have missed the point of this movie series, may see its true purpose – calling out the elite for the criminals that they are.

Donald Sutherland reveals some dark secrets



What You're Not Being Told About Booz Allen Hamilton And Edward Snowden

November 30 2015 | From: [Truthloader](#)

Edward Snowden didn't actually work for the NSA, he worked for a contractor called Booz Allen Hamilton.



How did it come to be that Snowden, working for a private company, was able to leak information about a top secret surveillance program?

What you're not being told about Booz Allen Hamilton and Edward ...  

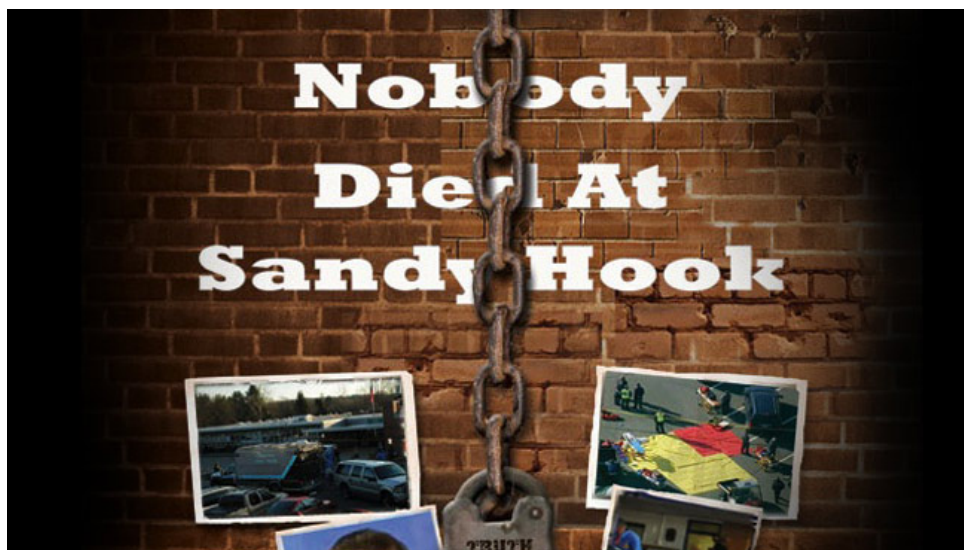


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Censorship Shock: Amazon.com Bans Investigative Book 'Nobody Died At Sandy Hook' Because It Disagrees With Government Version Of What Happened

November 28 2015 | From: [NaturalNews](#)

In a stunning demonstration of online book burning, Amazon.com has just banned a book because of its contents.



The book *Nobody Died at Sandy Hook* consists of analysis from a dozen contributor authors, and it's edited by Jim Fetzer, Ph.D. The book concludes that Sandy Hook was a staged FEMA drill carried out by the government to push an agenda of nationwide gun control.

Use hashtag **#StopAmazonCensorship** to [Tweet this story](#).

We have a full download of the book below in PDF form, so keep reading if you want to find out what's so "dangerous" about this book that Amazon had to ban it...

Whether the authors' conclusions are well-founded or complete lunacy isn't the point here. Amazon.com has selectively targeted this book for censorship **due to the political incorrectness of the author's conclusions**.

Remember, Amazon.com went out of its way to ban Confederate flags in the aftermath of another shooting, enforcing a grotesque, almost Stalinist political correctness in its decision to pull Confederate flag merchandise from its online store (including children's toys like the General Lee car from *Dukes of Hazzard*).



Yet at the same time, Amazon sells tens of thousands of books asserting all sorts of bizarre things, from authors who believe [the Earth is literally flat](#) to Adolf Hitler's pro-genocidal [Mein Kampf](#).

"If you Disagree with the Government, Amazon can Pull your Book..."

Amazon's banning of Fetzer's book is a dangerous precedent of banning books based on their non-conformity with political correctness. "Amazon gave me no reason," Fetzer told Natural News.

"The situation is completely absurd... if you disagree with a government version of anything, Amazon can pull your book."

This brings up the possibility that Amazon might soon ban U.S. history books that show the country's Founding Fathers in a positive light, for example. Will books on Thomas Jefferson soon be memory holed by the Amazon Ministry of Truth?

What about books that question the cancer industry or Monsanto's GMOs? Notably, Jeff Bezos is both the founder of Amazon.com and the owner of the *Washington Post*, a highly politicized paper whose "science" writers parrot Monsanto talking points with absolute obedience.

On [Fetzer's blog](#), he further explains that Amazon.com had already accepted his book for publication, then reversed its position when sales began to take off:

Create Space and amazon.com review every submission for its suitability for publication and conformity to their guidelines before they are accepted for publication. They accepted and published NOBODY DIED AT SANDY HOOK on 22 October 2015, nearly a month ago.

There is no good reason for this book to now be taken down for further review other than that it has become a sensation and has the potential to embarrass the administration of President Barack Hussein Obama, which appears to be the underlying problem.

[Click here to search GoodGopher.com for "Sandy Hook."](#) Good Gopher is the indy media search engine I created as an alternative to the Google censorship now experienced by nearly everyone across the independent media.

What's so Dangerous About a Book that most Americans think is Complete Fiction Anyway?

According to Amazon.com, selling a pro-genocide book by Adolf Hitler seems perfectly acceptable, yet something in Jim Fetzer's "Nobody Died at Sandy Hook" is so incredibly offensive (or dangerous) that it must be banned at all costs.

It begs the obvious question: **What is so dangerous about Fetzer's book that Amazon.com must banish it from retail?**

Perhaps 90% of Americans would take one look at the title and consider the book to be a complete joke from the start. They'd call it "loony conspiracy theory" material and wouldn't give it a second thought. So why bother banning it? Or is the book so compelling that it runs the risk of making "believers" out of former skeptics?

If "Nobody Died at Sandy Hook" is filled with complete nonsense, then why risk making it a sensation from the censorship angle alone? (See the latest indy media headlines on censorship at [Censorship.news](#).)



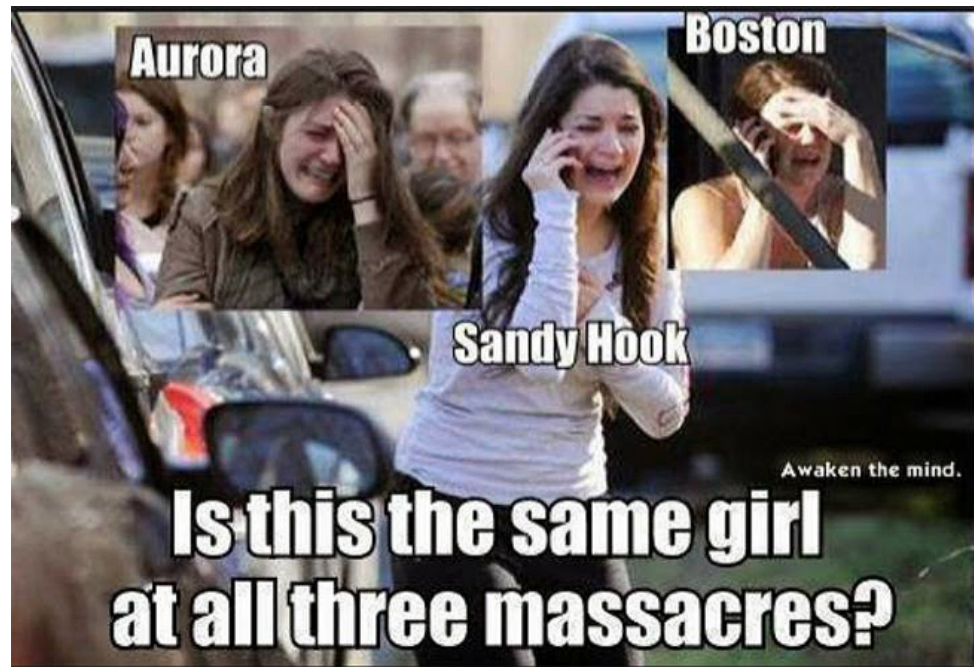
Amazon.com sells all sorts of books filled with complete nonsense, including the [Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders, 5th Edition: DSM-5](#). If a book's factual basis is the determining factor for whether it should be carried by the online retailer, then half of Amazon.com's inventory must now be reviewed and possibly pulled.

Clearly, something in "Nobody Died at Sandy Hook" has the powers that be so frightened that they are desperately trying to memory hole the book.

What if Sandy Hook were Totally Staged?

I haven't read the book, and school shootings are not my investigative focus, so I'm not yet informed enough to make any conclusive statements on this topic. **But my curiosity is raised**, and there are some things we already know about the fraud of staged news events and political events taking place right now.

For example, we know the mainstream media is largely fake and staged. We know **CNN uses "crisis actors"** and that a few of these crisis actors were also on location at the Sandy Hook event, crying on cue and playing out their roles for the TV cameras (see the video links below).



We also know that some of these same crisis actors appear multiple times on camera at different staged events such as the Boston Bombing and the Umpqua Community College shooting.

See the following videos for examples of footage on these "crisis actors." (I can't vouch for the authenticity of all these videos, by the way. This is just a sampling of what's out there on this topic...)

- ▶ [Same crisis actor at Sandy Hook and Boston Bombing](#)
- ▶ [Sandy Hook crisis actors read cue cards for the cameras](#)
- ▶ [Crisis actors busted: Fake Sandy Hook eyewitness](#)
- ▶ [Sandy Hook hoax and lies](#)

And this one from just six days ago: [Sandy Hook crisis actors pose as Paris attack victims!](#)

We also know for a fact that Sandy Hook was seized upon by gun control opponents in an attempt to destroy the [Second Amendment rights](#) of all Americans. The crisis appears to have been ready made for precisely such a political push, complete with the imagery of children's bodies and sobbing parents which, according to Fetzer, was nothing more than elaborate theater.

That's the basis of his book, after all: That the entire "shooting" was staged as a drill. Nobody really died at Sandy Hook, he says, and a quick glance at his book definitely raises some interesting questions.

5-Star Ratings from Amazon.com Readers... So Why was it Banned?

As the screen shot shows below, this book was receiving 5-star reviews from Amazon readers. (h/t to [Rense.com](#) for the screen shot.)

[Amazon.com: Nobody Died At Sandy Hook: It wasn't a School ...](#)

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And you can [click here for a cached image](#) proving the book was being sold on Amazon.

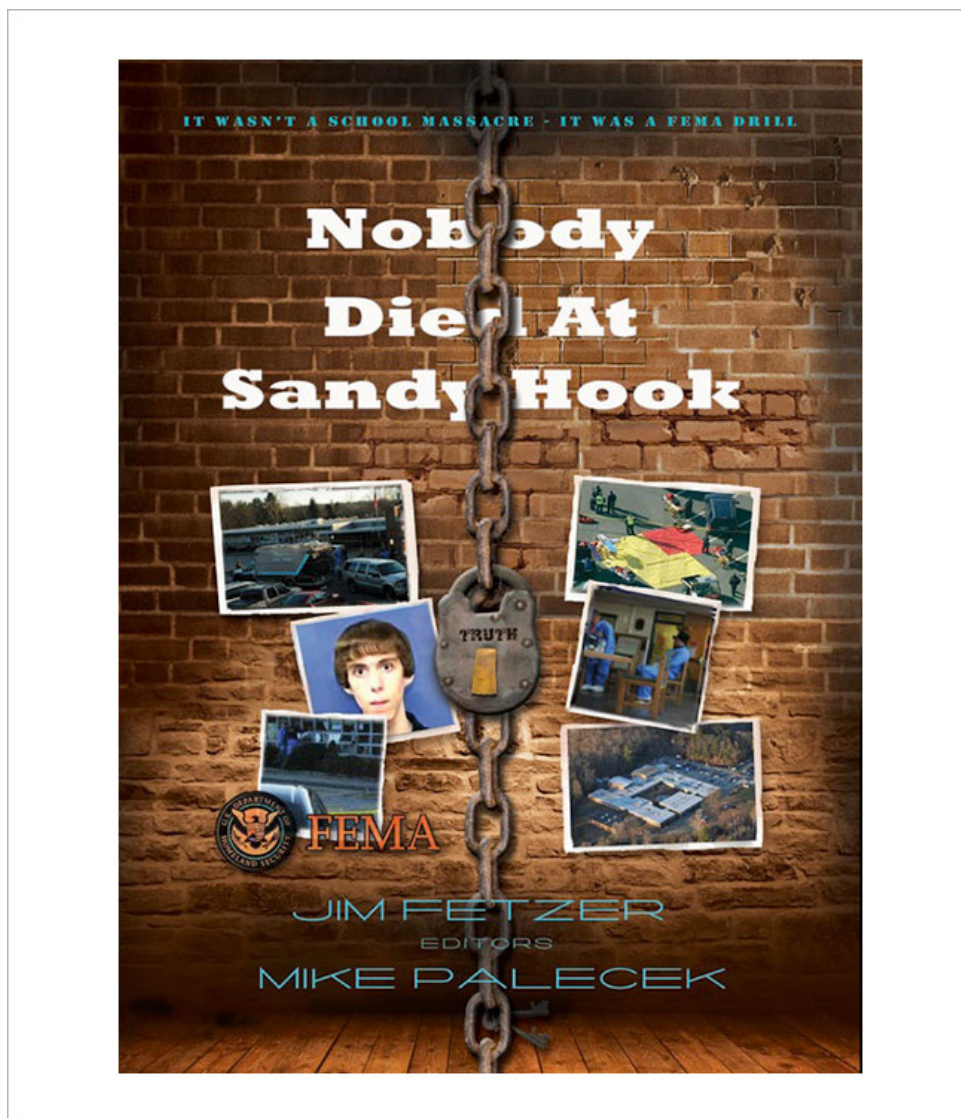
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We're also interviewing Fetzer and will be posting the interview on TalkNetwork.com tomorrow, during the *Health Ranger Report* show which airs at 11am Pacific / 2pm Eastern. Listen in at TalkNetwork.com.



Censoring Unpopular Thought

Amazon's censorship effort should be disturbing to all of us, regardless of whether we agree or disagree with the conclusions of the author of this banned book.

By banning this book because of its speech, Amazon.com now believes **it has a right to determine "truth" in books and ban those books that contradict the company's opinions on current events.**

Amazon.com, in other words, has just become your Big Brother, and it's going to decide what you can and cannot read. To me, that's far more alarming than anything we might find in the pages of "Nobody Died at Sandy Hook," regardless of whether it's truth or fiction.



If Amazon.com is now the arbiter of what kind of political information you're allowed to read, then we're already deep into the

corporatocracy of a police state society... and it all gives even more credence to the possibility that Fetzer's book rings true with an increasing number of Americans who are waking up to what's really happening.

Britain Is Too Tolerant And Should Interfere More In People's Lives, Says David Cameron

November 27 2015 | From: [Independent](#)

The PM is unveiling measures to crack down on 'extremists'. Britain is too "passively tolerant" and should [not leave people to live their lives](#) as they please **just because they obey the law**, David Cameron has said.



At the National Security Council today Mr Cameron unveiled a series of measures that he said would crack down on people holding minority "extremist" views that differed from Britain's consensus.

"For too long, we have been a passively tolerant society, saying to our citizens 'as long as you obey the law, we will leave you alone';" he said.

"It's often meant we have stood neutral between different values. And that's helped foster a narrative of extremism and grievance."

Speaking on BBC Radio 4 today, however, the Home Secretary Theresa May said that tolerance and rule of law were 'British values'.

"[The measures are part of a] bigger picture, a strategy which will also have as a key part of it actually promoting our British values, our values of democracy, rule of law, tolerance and acceptance of different faiths," she said.

She said the measures would focus on "seeking to undermine the very values that make us a great country to live in".

Ms May first set out the proposals presented by Mr Cameron before the general election but was prevented from bringing them forward by the Liberal Democrats.



The package of powers, first proposed in March, would allow courts to force a person to send their tweets and Facebook posts to the police for approval.

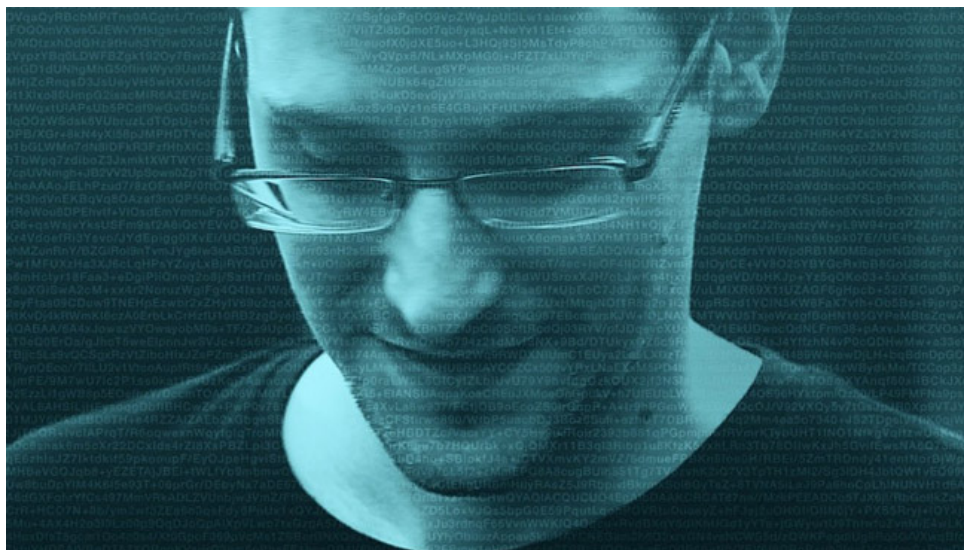
Ofcom will have new powers to pressurise broadcasters which show content deemed "extreme" while the Charity Commission would be mandated to scrutinise charities who "misappropriate funds".

The Prime Minister's comments about tolerance were met with criticism on social media.

Snowden Vindicated As Judge Shuts Down NSA Bulk Spying In Epic Smackdown

November 13 2015 | From: [DCclothesline](#) / [Geopolitics](#)

On Monday, a federal judge ordered [a halt to the NSA's bulk metadata](#) collection program in a reiteration and confirmation of a previous ruling that found the practice "unconstitutional" - and even "Orwellian."



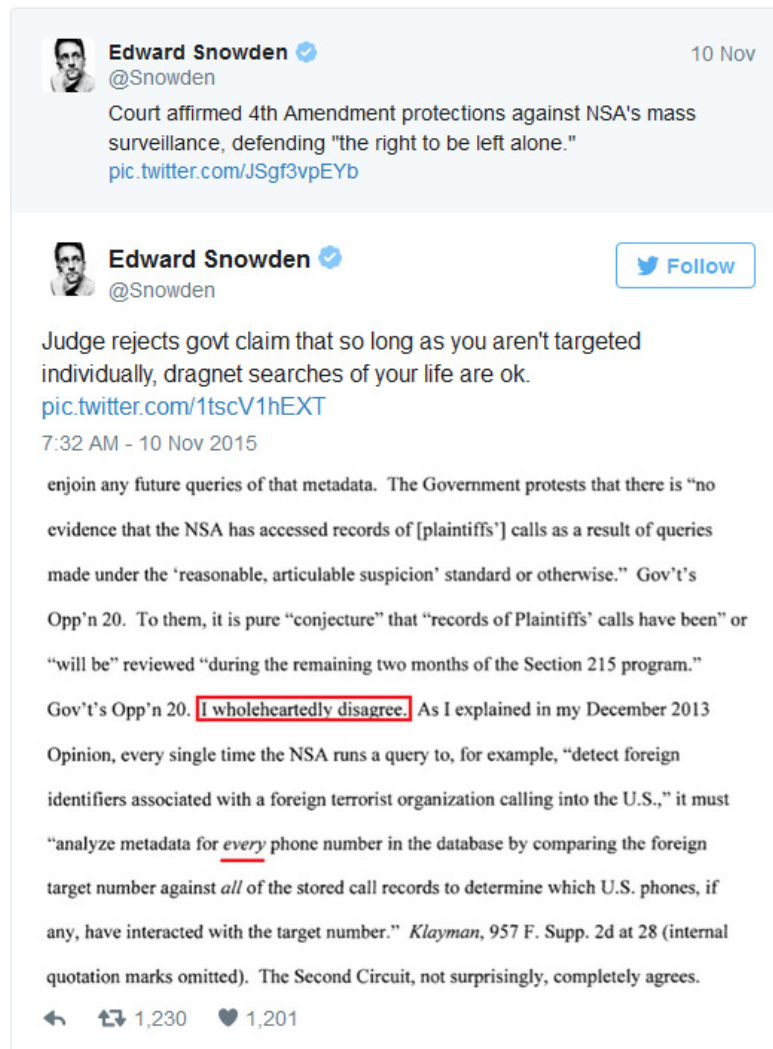
"This court simply cannot, and will not, allow the government to trump the Constitution merely because it suits the exigencies of the moment," stated Washington, D.C. District Court Judge [Richard Leon](#) in his mordant [43-page ruling](#).

Related: [Snowden Celebrates 'Broadly Influential' Ruling Against NSA Dragnet](#)

[Edward Snowden](#) immediately [hailed the decision](#), pointing out significant passages from the court to his millions of Twitter followers. Of particular importance - and, indeed, at the heart of both known and potentially unknown domestic spy programs - remains the impossible reckoning between Fourth Amendment protections and the government's claims of a national security imperative.

"Moved by whatever momentary evil has aroused their fears, officials - perhaps even supported by a majority of citizens - may be tempted to conduct searches that sacrifice the liberty of each citizen to assuage the perceived evil. But the Fourth Amendment rests on the principle that a true balance between the individual and society depends on the recognition of 'the right to be let [sic] alone - the most comprehensive of rights and the right most valued by civilized men,'" the ruling stated, with emphasis added by Snowden.

In another tweet, the whistleblower summarized the ruling: "Judge rejects government claim that so long as you aren't targeted individually, dragnet searches of your life are OK."



Though Leon's judgment arrives mere weeks before [metadata collection](#) would naturally end under the [USA Patriot Act's Section 215](#) upon [implementation](#) of the newly passed [USA Freedom Act](#), he emphasized potential implications of any undue delay in bringing such spying to a close, stating:

"In my December 2013 Opinion, I stayed my order pending appeal in light of the national security interests at stake and the novelty of the constitutional issues raised. I did so with the optimistic hope that the appeals process would move expeditiously.

However, because it has been almost two years since I first found that the NSA's Bulk Telephony Metadata Program likely violates the Constitution and because of the loss of constitutional freedoms for even one day is a significant harm [...] I will not do that today."



In other words, the judge harshly repudiated the government's already poorly disguised emphasis on national security to justify bulk collection as wholly secondary to the individual's right to privacy under the Constitution.

Leon's [2013 ruling](#) was struck down in August this year, when an appeals court found the plaintiff in [Klayman v. Obama](#) had not established the legal standing necessary to dispute the constitutionality of the NSA program. Once amended appropriately, the judge was able to make a ruling on the original case and [issue an injunction](#) to halt bulk collection.

In this ruling, Leon sharply admonished the appeals court for its reversal, saying:

*"Because the loss of constitutional freedoms is an 'irreparable injury' of the highest order, and relief to the two named plaintiffs would not undermine national security interests, I found that a preliminary injunction was not merely warranted — it was **required**."* [emphasis by the judge]

Seemingly irritated at the insult of the government maintaining its position on the necessity of bulk collection while ignoring the preceding twenty-two months to find less invasive means to achieve the same goal, Leon searingly stated:

"To say the least, it is difficult to give meaningful weight to a risk of harm created, in significant part, by the Government's own recalcitrance."

Pointing out the painfully obvious, Leon derided fictitious claims the government needs bulk data collection at all, considering the program thwarted exactly zero terror attacks throughout its entire duration. In rebuttal to claims the contentious NSA program remains reasonably effective, the judge flatly stated:

"This is a conclusion I simply cannot reach given the continuing lack of evidence that the Program has ever actually been successful as a means of conducting time-sensitive investigations in cases involving imminent threats of terrorism."

Pulling no punches, Leon concludes with a scathing challenge to the naïveté and blind acceptance Congress mistakenly presumed the public and court would give the contentiously invasive program:

"To be sure, the very purpose of the Fourth Amendment would be undermined were this court to defer to Congress's determination that individual liberty should be sacrificed to better combat today's evil."

Employing linguistic subtlety which, at times, borders on a verbal smackdown, [Judge Richard Leon](#) brilliantly sent the NSA, Congress, and rest of the government a message that couldn't be denied this second time around: **Nobody buys your bullshit.**

The Refugee Crisis False Flag Will [Aims To] Usher In A UN Global Biometric ID System

November 10 2015 | From: [WND](#) / Various

Thousands of Muslim migrants 'disappear' from camps. Where oh where have the Muslim migrants gone?



That is the question German authorities are asking themselves after some troubling reports of disappearances.

Related: [George Soros letter reveals globalist plan to destroy the First World by eliminating national borders with global migrant blitzkrieg invasions](#)

According to German press reports, keeping track of all the Muhammads and Alis pouring across borders is proving ever so tricky for European countries being flooded with people on the move from the Middle East and Africa.

Now, the United Nations is partnering with a private company to offer a solution – a new “universal” identification system that will comply with the United Nations’ sustainability goal of getting “legal” biometric IDs that include iris scans, photographs and fingerprints, [“into the hands of everyone in the world by the year 2030.”](#)

It offers hope for the UN’s [Sustainable Development Goal](#) of getting legal ID into the hands of everyone in the world by the year 2030 with its Identification for Development (ID4D) initiative.

As author-blogger Pamela Geller [noted this week](#), citing [German press reports](#), more than one in two refugees from one camp went missing and are now unaccounted for and considered “on the run.”

At least 580 refugees initially were reported to have disappeared from Camp Shelterschleife. Now, in a “terrible new twist,” the disappearances are spreading.

“It’s become an epidemic,” Geller said. “7,000 migrants have left the Brandenburg shelters. Where are they going? Who is sheltering these illegals, many with ties to ISIS?”

Such a high number of people hiding is “completely unacceptable,” according to the German authorities.

“Where are they hiding? Could they be connecting with sleeper cells?” Geller writes.

“Is it any wonder that Europeans are scrambling for guns?” Geller added, referencing a report by WND earlier this week that long guns are flying off the shelves in Austria and other countries where it’s still legal for average citizens to buy firearms.

[Die Welt](#) is reporting that thousands of refugees have left their assigned accommodations.



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"They are simply not there anymore," the news outlet reports. Refugees disappear daily from the initial welcoming centers in Brandenburg without giving notice.

Authorities said they believed the missing persons to be heading on their own to stay with family or friends already in Germany or in other countries throughout Europe, or at least that's the hope.

Several hundred migrants have disappeared each week since the beginning of September without signing in, Ingo Decker, the spokesman of the Potsdam Ministry of the Interior, told Die Welt.

"Eventually, these refugees are simply not there anymore," he said.

On Wednesday alone, more than 600 people left the welcoming center, Susan Fischer, the deputy ministry spokeswoman, reported to the newspaper. According to official figures of the state government, more than 17,000 newcomers came into the country since early September. About 7,800 have been housed in cities and villages, about 2,700 people are still in the initial reception centers. That leaves at least 7,000 who have left and are AWOL.

A report from German news outlet Faz.net headlined "[Refugees disappearing from lodging](#)," says around 700 refugees disappeared from emergency accommodations in Lower Saxony. Voices calling for a direct registration by the governmental agencies are getting louder.

National authorities required cities and towns in the region to accommodate 4,000 on short notice and now can't account for all of them.

Germany's welcome mat 'setting the stage'

Paul McGuire, an analyst who has appeared on Fox News and the History Channel and co-author of the new book, "[The Babylon Code: Solving the Bible's Greatest End Times Mystery](#)," says the heavy influx of Muslim migrants almost assures there will be another terrorist attack at least as big as what happened in Paris earlier this year at the Charlie Hebdo newspaper office.



He said sources in Germany tell him the majority of the nearly 1 million migrants who have streamed into the country are between 18 and 25.

"There's no way they could be this stupid and let this many in. It has the look of something intentional," he said.

"I'm getting emails from people in Germany. They know this is being done on purpose, to destroy their villages and towns."

McGuire said he was in France just a few days after the Charlie Hebdo attack.

"They were sitting ducks, and the people of France were completely shocked," he said. "So they're setting the stage for another attack."

McGuire said the leaders of the global "hardcore left," such as billionaire philanthropist George Soros, are using the Muslim migrants as a battering ram against the walls of the Christian West.

Hungary Prime Minister Viktor Orban was quoted by a public radio outlet this week calling out Soros for his backing of the migrant invasion, saying:

"His name is perhaps the strongest example of those who support anything that weakens nation states, they support everything that changes the traditional European lifestyle. These activists who support immigrants inadvertently become part of this international human-smuggling network."



McGuire said the Muslim migrants are particularly useful to socialist globalists like Soros.

"They are like a bludgeoning group, they can bludgeon everything Christian out of our society," he said.

"The hard left uses them because they demand all these laws and special accommodations, and inevitably they enact Shariah and force the culture to go into retreat, and then you have this weak Christianity that can't withstand anything."

'Driving the new world order'

McGuire sees a perfect storm brewing in which global authorities will need to keep better track of people, especially refugees, but the new rules will end up applying to everyone.

"So these migrants are coming to drive the new world order, to bring order out of chaos," he said.

"You destroy nationalism, destroy social cohesion, and then these Muslim groups coming in will create a crisis and force a response that will feature a state crackdown and the need for heightened security, and one of the ways you do that is through universal IDs. It's just evil."

A large portion of Germany's missing refugees had not been registered, nor had they applied for asylum, which is a recipe for chaos. The local authorities point out that they have no authority to hold people.

The same rules apply to refugees sent from the Third World to American cities.

Once they are resettled in a city, whether it's Denver or Minneapolis, Des Moines or Detroit, they are free to migrate anywhere in the United States. The refugees are placed on a fast track to full citizenship and signed up for various welfare benefits by resettlement agencies affiliated with Catholic, Lutheran, Episcopal, Jewish and evangelical-Christian organizations. A congressional research study found that 91 percent of refugees from the Middle East receive food stamps.

Local politician Angelika Jahns criticized the current situation in Germany. *"We need to know who is staying in Lower Saxony,"* she told Die Welt. She said the refugees should be registered as soon as they arrive in Lower Saxony, but they are not forced to do so by the German national government.

The problem of refugees gone missing is clearly on the radar of global elites, and in fact they are already using the refugee crisis to promote a sweeping new global ID system, WND has learned.



The United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees in May 2015 awarded a three-year contract to a firm called Accenture to "identify and track" refugees in a pilot program targeting camps in Africa and Asia with a new biometric ID, [reports FindBiometrics.com](#), a trade journal covering the biometric and information management industries. Accenture is an international technology services provider based in Chicago.

Here is how FindBiometrics describes the project:

"The UNHCR will use Accenture's Biometric Identity Management System (BIMS) for the endeavor. BIMS can be used to collect facial, iris, and fingerprint biometric data, and will also be used to provide many refugees with their only form of official documentation.

The system will work in conjunction with Accenture's Unique Identity Service Platform (UISP) to send this information back to a central database in Geneva, allowing UNHCR offices all over the world to effectively coordinate with the central UNHCR authority in tracking refugees.

"Starting with a pilot project in the Dzaleka Refugee Camp in Malawi, the program has blossomed over the last couple of years to provide services in refugee camps in Thailand and Chad, with over 220,000 people identified in the two countries so far.

It's an ambitious project, but Accenture has experience with large-scale biometric system initiatives, having helped the Department of Homeland Security's Office of Biometric Identity Management with a major border control project, for example.

This latest endeavor will see the company's technology used in important humanitarian efforts – and in fact it seems to have already helped hundreds of thousands."

U.N. Agenda 2030 calls for 'universal ID' for all people

This "universal ID," which grabs the biometric data of refugees, is just a starting point for the United Nations. **The goal is to eventually bring all people into the massive data bank. The proof is in the U.N.'s own documents.**

The U.N. Agenda 2030 document adopted by 193 of the world's heads of state, including President Obama, at the Sept. 25 U.N. conference on sustainability in New York, includes 17 goals and dozens of "targets."

Target 16.9 under the goal of "Peace, Justice and Strong Institutions" [reads as follows](#):

"By 2030, provide legal identity for all, including birth registration."

The World Bank is also throwing its weight behind the United Nations biometric project being conducted by Accenture.



THE WORLD BANK

In a [new report](#) issued in collaboration with Accenture, the World Bank is calling on governments to "work together to implement standardized, cost-effective identity management solutions," according to FindBiometrics.

A summary of the report states that about 1.8 billion adults around the world lack any kind of official identification. "That can exclude those individuals from access to essential services, and can also cause serious difficulties when it comes to trans-border identification," according to FindBiometrics.

"That problem is one that Accenture has been tackling in collaboration with the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, which has been issuing Accenture-developed biometric identity cards to populations of displaced persons in refugee camps in Thailand, South Sudan, and elsewhere.

The ID cards are important for helping to ensure that refugees can have access to services, and for keeping track of refugee populations."

Then comes the final admission by the World Bank that the new biometric IDs are not just for refugees.

"Moreover, the nature of the deployments has required an economically feasible solution, and has demonstrated that reliable, biometric ID cards can affordably be used on a large scale.

It offers hope for the UN's Sustainable Development Goal of getting legal ID into the hands of everyone in the world by the year 2030 with its Identification for Development (ID4D) initiative."

It is a serious problem for the authorities that many thousands of people are on their way on their own in the federal territory, Decker told Die Welt.



He said refugees might be registered multiple times as the registration is based on information given by the registrants, which almost always come without any papers.

"The same guy that is Muhammad Ali here in Eisenhüttenstadt can be Ali Mohammed a little bit later in Hamburg," Decker said.

"The states must live with that for the time being, because a proper registration at the border is currently not in sight."

Once the U.N.'s biometric labeling of all humanity is in place, this will no longer be a problem.

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Windows 10 To Automatically Download On Your PC

November 8 2015 | From: [WND](#)

Not interested in installing Windows 10 on your computer after reading news reports indicating Microsoft will [track your online behavior and save your search queries, private emails and contents of private folders, including photos?](#)



Too bad. You may not be given much of a choice. Microsoft's Windows 10 is preparing to automatically download onto computers currently installed with Windows 7 or 8 – without the computer users' knowledge, [London's Guardian reported](#).

Related: ['Incredibly Intrusive': Windows 10 Spies On You By Default](#)

According to the report, Microsoft announced that Windows 10 will become a "recommended update" in 2016, and anyone who has automatic updates activated will have the new program installed automatically on their PC.

After it has downloaded, the Windows 10 installer will begin. At that point, users will need to actively cancel Windows 10.

That is, if they aren't in the habit of just hitting "OK" when presented with a prompt, as many users often do.

In the meantime, until 2016, the Windows 10 upgrade will be considered "optional" and could still be downloaded if a user has the computer set to install automatic updates, which can be disabled.

"If you choose to upgrade (our recommendation!), then you will have 31 days to roll back to your previous version if you don't love it," said Terry Myerson, executive vice president of Microsoft's Windows and Devices group.

Just weeks ago, [Forbes reported](#) Microsoft claimed an "accident" caused the downloads to begin installing on many computers without user permission.

[As WND reported in August](#), a report from Newsweek warned: "From the moment an account is created, Microsoft begins watching. The company saves customers' basic information – name, contact details, passwords, demographic data and credit card specifics."

"But it also digs a bit deeper," the report says.

"Other information Microsoft saves includes Bing search queries and conversations with the new digital personal assistant Cortana; contents of private communications such as email; websites and apps visited (including features accessed and length of time used); and contents of private folders," the warning explains.

"Furthermore, 'your typed and handwritten words' are collected."

All of the warnings come from the company's software privacy statement, which includes the statement that Microsoft collects information "to provide you a personalized user dictionary, help you type and write on your device with better character recognition, and provide you with text suggestions as you type or write."

Alec Meer at the [RockPaperShotgun](#) blog warned it's not something that should be ignored.

"Unless you pay close attention to the fluffy options offered when you first install Microsoft's new operating system, it's going to quietly track your behavior and use it to fire targeted ads at you, as well as keeping tabs on your location history, data from messages, calendars, contacts and God knows what else."

The blog noted that "some of this stuff" can be turned off, but the key point is that people "aren't so hot" about paying for tools to access the Web and such, so "the money comes from harvesting data and flogging it to advertisers and other organizations who want to know exactly what we're all up to online."



He continued;

"If you ever wondered why they've made the Windows 10 upgrade free to Win 7 & 8 users, here's one possible answer. Windows 10 has all sorts of user tracking baked right in."

[The Daily Mail reported](#) another complication with the software last summer.

The update to Windows 10, the report said:

"Automatically made [a man's] porn collection into a slideshow and used it as a screensaver. And to make matters worse, the malfunction was discovered by his wife, who was greeted by the explicit images first thing in the morning."

The report said a user posted the story online so others would not repeat the mistake, which reportedly happened when the images were saved into the "My Pictures" folder. It is from that folder the software draws data to build slideshows, the report said.

"I have no idea how to shut that feature off and that computer is staying shut down until I do," the man wrote, according to the Mail. "Free Windows and a free trip to the doghouse. Thanks Microsoft!"

In August, Newsweek reported an estimated 14 million machines already were running Windows 10.

"The company says it uses the data collected for three purposes: to provide and improve its services; to send customers personalized promotions; and to display targeted advertising, which sometimes requires the information be shared with third parties."

The report said Microsoft's practices actually are similar to Google's, which analyzes the content of users' emails to provide a "more personalized product."



Online privacy group European Digital Rights told the Times that the MS policy not only was bad news for privacy.

"Your free speech rights can also be violated on an ad hoc basis," the group said.

Kirsten Fiedler, of EDR, told the Mail, *"Microsoft basically grants itself the right to collect and process everything you do, say and write on your device – which is contrary to the fundamental right to privacy."*

The [RockPaperShotgun](#) blog posted some instructions for opting out of the Microsoft data collection plan.

The actions won't, the blog said, reduce the ads seen.

"But they do mean that not quite so much information about you will be gathered and sold, and also that the ads you do see won't be 'relevant' to what algorithms have decided your interests are."

Related: [Windows 10 Spies On Almost Everything You Do, Unless You Opt Out](#)

Bombshell! Europe Drops Charges Against Edward Snowden, Offers Asylum And Protection

November 5 2015 | From: [ActivistPost](#)

This week, the European Parliament voted to offer Edward Snowden asylum and protection and drop all criminal charges against him.



When at one time most of the world was bullied by the US government into pressing charges against Snowden and forcing him into exile, the entire European continent has now officially given him a pass.

Related: [EU Parliament Votes To Drop Charges Against Snowden](#)

Thursday's 285 – 281 vote officially [recognized Snowden](#) as an "international human rights defender" and ensured that he would be free from arrest within European borders.



[The final resolution mentioned that](#) "too little has been done to safeguard citizens' fundamental rights following revelations of electronic mass surveillance."

Snowden is currently living in asylum in Russia and is wanted in the United States for charges under the federal Espionage Act, but Russia has declined to extradite him. He has been unable to leave due to the fear of being kidnapped by the US military when he left the country, but now it may be possible for him to travel to Europe.

Snowden posted on his Twitter page that this could be a good sign of a shift in attitude towards his cause. Earlier this year, it was reported that a federal appeals [court ruled](#) that the controversial NSA spy program which collects phone records is actually illegal.



Snowden [recently joined Twitter](#), making himself more visible and approachable to the general population than ever before.

Within a day of opening his first social media account since leaking information about the NSA spy program, Snowden gained over one million followers. However, there was only one account that he decided to follow, the NSA. The whistleblower's first tweet [read](#), "Can you hear me now?"

Edward Snowden's New Revelations Are Truly Chilling

October 10 2015 | From: [TrueActivist](#)

Former intelligence contractor and NSA whistleblower Edward Snowden told the BBC's Panorama that the UK intelligence centre GCHQ has the power to hack phones without their owners' knowledge



In an interview with the BBC's 'Panorama' which aired in Britain last night, Edward Snowden spoke in detail about the spying capabilities of the UK intelligence agency GCHQ.

He disclosed that government spies can **legally** hack into any citizen's phone to listen in to what's happening in the room, view files, messages and photos, pinpoint exactly where a person is (to a much more sophisticated level than a normal GPS system), and monitor a person's every move and every conversation, **even when the phone is turned off.**



These technologies are named after Smurfs, those little blue cartoon characters who had a recent Hollywood makeover. But despite the cute name, these technologies are very disturbing; each one is built to spy on you in a different way:

- ▶ **"Dreamy Smurf"**: lets the phone be powered on and off
- ▶ **"Nosey Smurf"**: lets spies turn the microphone on and listen in on users, even if the phone itself is turned off
- ▶ **"Tracker Smurf"**: a geo-location tool which allows [GCHQ] to follow you with a greater precision than you would get from the typical triangulation of cellphone towers.
- ▶ **"Paranoid Smurf"**: hides the fact that it has taken control of the phone. The tool will stop people from recognising that the phone has been tampered with if it is taken in for a service, for instance.

Snowden says: *"They want to own your phone instead of you."* It sounds very much like he means we are being purposefully encouraged to buy our own tracking devices. That kinda saved the government some money, didn't it?

His revelations should worry anyone who cares about human rights, especially in an era where the threat of terrorism is used to justify all sorts of governmental crimes against civil liberties. We have willingly given up our freedoms in the name of security; as a result we have [neither](#).



We seem to have forgotten that to live as a free person is a basic human right: we are essentially free beings. We are born naked and without certification; we do not belong to any government nor monarchy nor individual, we don't even belong to any nation or culture or religion- these are all social constructs.

We belong only to the universe that created us, or whatever your equivalent belief. It is therefore a natural human right *not* to be not be under secret surveillance by your own government, those corruptible liars who are supposedly elected by and therefore accountable to the people.

The danger for law-abiding citizens who say they have nothing to fear because they are not terrorists, beware: many

peaceful British protesters have been [arrested](#) under the Prevention Of Terrorism Act since its introduction in 2005.

Edward Snowden: 'Smartphones can be taken over' - BBC News



Edward [Snowden](#)'s disclosure confirms just how far the attack on civil liberties has gone since [9/11](#) and the London bombings. Both events have allowed governments the legal right to essentially wage war on their own people, through the Patriot Act in the USA and the Prevention Of Terrorism [Act](#) in the UK.

In Britain, as in the USA, [terrorism](#) and [activism](#) seem to have morphed into one entity, while nobody really knows who the real [terrorists](#) are any more. A sad but absolutely realistic fact of life in 2015: if you went to a peaceful protest at weekend and got detained, you're probably getting [hacked](#) right now.

It's one more reason to conclude that smartphones suck. And as much as we convince ourselves how cool they are, it's hard to deny their invention has resulted in a tendency for humans to behave like [zombies](#), encouraged child labor, made us more [lonely](#) than ever, turned some of us into [narcissistic selfie-addicts](#), and prevented us from [communicating](#) with those who really [matter](#) (the ones in the same room at the same time). Now, Snowden has given us yet another reason to believe that [smartphones](#) might be the dumbest thing we could have ever inflicted on ourselves.

Edward Snowden, Glenn Greenwald & David Miranda Call For Global Privacy Treaty

October 7 2015 | From: [DemocracyNow](#)

NSA whistleblower Edward Snowden, Pulitzer Prize-winning journalist Glenn Greenwald, Brazilian privacy activist David Miranda and others have launched a new campaign to establish global privacy standards.



The proposed International Treaty on the Right to Privacy, Protection Against Improper Surveillance and Protection of Whistleblowers would require states to ban mass data collection and implement public oversight of national security programs.

The treaty would also require states to offer asylum to whistleblowers. It is being dubbed the "Snowden Treaty." At a launch event last week, Edward Snowden spoke about the need for the treaty via teleconference from Russia.

"This is not a problem exclusive to the United States or the National Security Agency or the FBI or the Department of Justice or any agency of government anywhere. This is a global problem that affects all of us," Snowden said.

Watch the video statements or read the transcript at: [DemocracyNow](http://DemocracyNow.org)

'Incredibly Intrusive': Windows 10 Spies On You By Default

September 14 2015 | From: [RT](http://RT.com)

Microsoft's new Windows 10 operating system is immensely popular, with 14 million downloads in the first two days. The price of the free upgrade may just be your privacy, though, as changing Windows 10's intrusive default settings is difficult.



Technology journalists and bloggers are singing Windows 10's praises, often using the words such as "amazing," "glorious" and "fantastic." The operating system has been described as faster, smoother and more user-friendly than any previous version of Windows. According to Wired magazine, more than 14 million people have [downloaded](#) their upgrade since the system was released on Wednesday.

While the upgrade is currently free of charge to owners of licensed copies of Windows 8 and Windows 7, it does come at a price. Several tech bloggers have warned that the privacy settings in the operating system are invasive by default, and that changing them involves over a dozen different screens and an external website.

According to Zach Epstein of BGR News, all of Windows 10's features that could be considered invasions of privacy are enabled by default. Signing in with your Microsoft email account means Windows is reading your emails, contacts and

calendar data. The new Edge browser serves you personalized ads. Solitaire now comes with ads. Using Cortana – the voice-driven assistant that represents Redmond's answer to Apple's Siri – reportedly "plays fast and loose with your data."

"I am pretty surprised by the far-reaching data collection that Microsoft seems to want," web developer Jonathan Porta [wrote](#) on his blog. "I am even more surprised by the fact that the settings all default to incredibly intrusive. I am certain that most individuals will just accept the defaults and have no idea how much information they are giving away."

As examples, Porta cited Microsoft having access to contacts, calendar details, and "other associated input data" such as "typing and inking" by default. The operating system also wants access to user locations and location history, both of which could be provided not just to Microsoft, but to its "trusted partners."

"Who are the trusted partners? By whom are they trusted? I am certainly not the one doing any trusting right now," Porta wrote, describing the default privacy options as "vague and bordering on scary."

Alec Meer of the 'Rock, Paper, Shotgun' blog [pointed out](#) this passage in Microsoft's 12,000-word, 45-page terms of use agreement:

"We will access, disclose and preserve personal data, including your content (such as the content of your emails, other private communications or files in private folders), when we have a good faith belief that doing so is necessary to."

While most people are used to ads as the price of accessing free content, writes Meer, Microsoft is not making it clear enough that they are "gathering and storing vast amounts of data on your computing habits," not just browser data.

[Opting out](#) of all these default settings requires navigating 13 different screens and a separate website, the bloggers have found.



Meer was underwhelmed with Microsoft executives' claims of transparency and easily understandable terms of use.

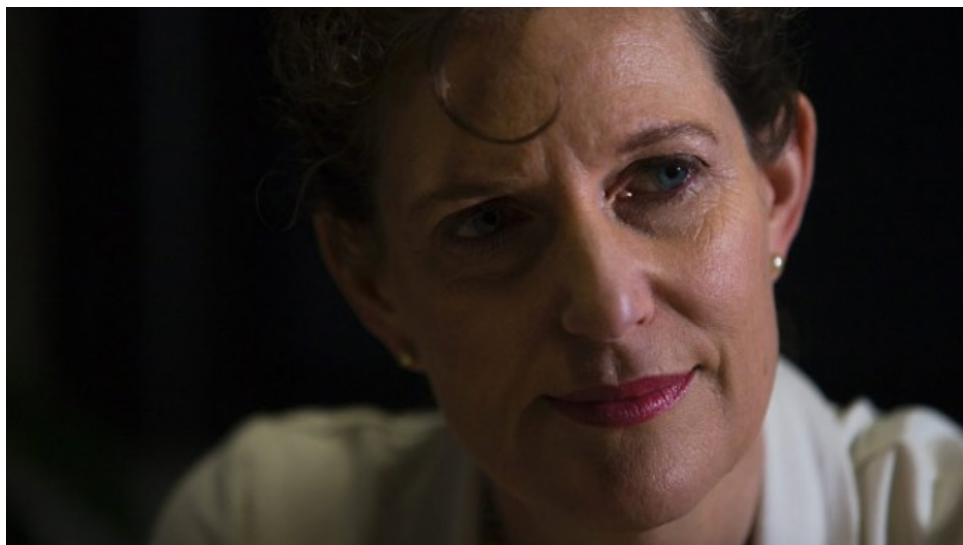
"There is no world in which 45 pages of policy documents and opt-out settings split across 13 different Settings screens and an external website constitutes 'real transparency,'"he wrote.

Tracking and harvesting user data has been a business model for many tech giants. Privacy advocates have raised concerns over Google's combing of emails, Apple's Siri, and Facebook's tracking cookies that keep monitoring people's browser activity in order to personalize advertising and content.

When The Nation's Permanent Interests Override Its Impermanent Politicians

September 3 2015 | From: [Stuff](#)

Submissions to the Independent Review of Intelligence and Security have closed. No doubt the "independent reviewers", Sir Michael Cullen and Dame Patsy Reddy, are already up to their elbows in the earnest recommendations of their fellow citizens. By March of next year we will learn what they have made of them.



SIS director Rebecca Kitteridge knows how difficult her job will become if her fellow citizens are unwilling to concede the legitimacy of the SIS's role.

In all probability, neither Cullen nor Reddy will end up recommending much more than a little tweaking here and there to New Zealand's national security apparatus. The terms of reference of their inquiry were extremely narrowly set – always an indication that nothing too dramatic is expected by the politicians who set the process in motion.

A few judicious redefinitions of the scope and powers of the Security Intelligence Service (SIS) and the Government Communications Security Bureau (GCSB) is the most we should anticipate. (Especially after the prime minister has strongly and publicly hinted that this is what his government is expecting!)



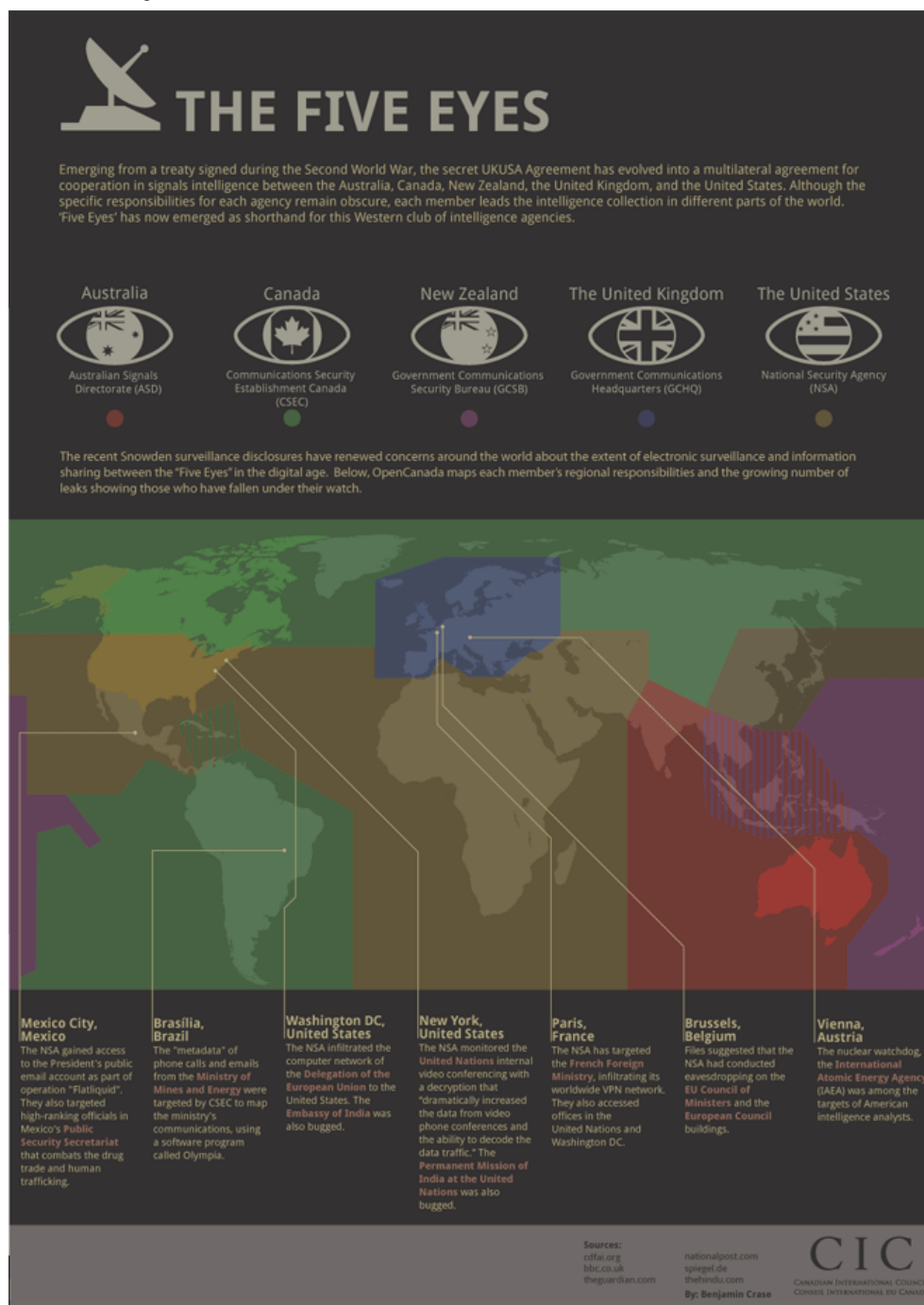
Indeed, any government attempting to make more than minor changes to either institution is asking for trouble. In 1977, the National prime minister, Robert Muldoon, ignited a firestorm of nationwide protests when he announced his intention to legislate a substantial increase in the powers of the SIS.

The New Zealand Security Intelligence Service Amendment Bill, which dramatically expanded the Service's capacity to intercept private communications, and forbade the public identification of its agents, was passed by Parliament, **but only at the cost of a significant portion of the citizenry's trust and goodwill.**

That New Zealand's so-called "*intelligence community*" is anxious to retain and build public trust and goodwill has been evident over the past fortnight in the substantive public relations campaign it has waged in advance of the independent review. SIS director Rebecca Kitteridge knows how difficult her job will become if her fellow citizens are unwilling to concede the legitimacy of the SIS's role.

But, if losing the trust and goodwill of New Zealand's citizens is a bad thing, losing the trust and confidence of New Zealand's allies would be much, much worse. This would, however, be the most likely outcome if the recommendations of those who made submissions to the Independent Review from the left were ever to be taken up and implemented by a future left-leaning government.

The submission from the Anti-Bases Campaign, for example (whose spokesperson is the redoubtable left-wing activist Murray Horton) has recommended to Cullen and Reddy that: "*New Zealand immediately exits the Five Eyes regime.*"



The reviewers will, of course, ignore this demand – if only because it falls outside the scope of their inquiry. But, what if a future Labour-Green government was persuaded to withdraw from the UKUSA Agreement to which New Zealand has been party for more than 60 years?

It is precisely in circumstances such as these that the true function of our national security apparatus would be demonstrated.

It was the United States secretary of state Henry Kissinger who infamously remarked of the democratically elected socialist government of Chile:

"I don't see why we need to stand by and watch a country go communist due to the irresponsibility of its own people. The issues are much too important for the Chilean voters to be left to decide for themselves."

On September 11, 1973, that government was overthrown by the Chilean armed forces.



On November 10, 1975, outraged that his government was under CIA surveillance, the Australian Labour prime minister Gough Whitlam let it be known that he would be closing down the joint CIA/National Security Agency's satellite tracking station at Pine Gap near Alice Springs in the Northern Territory.

The following day, Whitlam's government was dismissed by Sir John Kerr, the Australian governor-general. (The Pine Gap station was critical to the effectiveness of the "Five Eyes regime".)

In the eyes of both the Chilean armed forces, and Australia's national security apparatus, the permanent national interests of their respective states had been placed at serious risk by political figures who either did not understand, or were hostile to, those interests. In arriving at these conclusions, both institutions relied upon the intelligence and advice of their nation's principal military and economic ally, the United States.

Although neither Cullen or Reddy will admit it, "*national security*" is all about identifying which permanent national interests are best kept beyond the reach of democracy's impermanent practitioners.

Why Punish People For Speeding? Speed Advisories Would Be Fine

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This is a contentious subject but the fact of the matter when you really look at it is that speeding fines are nothing more than revenue generation. This argument makes complete sense yet, people are so beaten down by the official line that they don't have a chance to ever get to consider logical points. There will NEVER be a zero road toll as long as we have road transport. If you get into a car, you put yourself at risk of a terminal road accident. End of story.



It has been established that highway patrol officers in New Zealand have ticketing quotas - they just will not admit it. Cha-ching \$\$\$

Why should anyone be subject to punishment merely for driving "x" speed? Is it not of a piece with punishing someone for merely consuming alcohol?

[Comment: This is a systemic problem and a systemic issue. The powers that be have put systems in place to weed out police applicants who have an IQ over a certain limit. They do not want free thinkers, they want a police force in place that will not question the authority of their superiors.]

The justification usually given is that "speeding" might cause harm.

The definition of POLICE: POLICY Enforcement officers: They - (most of them unknowingly) are NOT working to protect or serve - nor to provide safer communities together.

They are working to protect the policies of the state, and therefore [The Crown](#) (The City of London and ultimately The Vatican - the ancient and elite 'ruling class').

The "police" are the civilian arm of the enforcement of the attempted New World Order, here to keep the great unwashed subservient to the ruling elite and abiding by their 'laws'.

[Click on the link, look it up.](#) The evidence has been around for a very long time indeed.

Ok, sure. The same is true about drinking beer. Someone (generally) might drink beer and beat his wife. But we do not presume (for now) that everyone who drinks beer will beat his wife – and thus, drinking beer must be forbidden. And violators of this policy punished.

What about punishing (hold onto that thought) people when – and only if – they actually do cause harm? Not before – and not because they might. Or because "someone" else has.

It's a crazy idea, I realize. [This is the fundamental point of common law: If there is no damage to a person or property - there is no crime].

Imagine: You'd only have to sweat cops or face a judge if you (and not some other person you never even met) could plausibly be charged with having caused harm to an actual victim or damaged the actual property of someone else. Mark that. A flesh and blood victim would have to be presented.



And it would be the obligation of the courts to prove that harm was done to establish guilt before requiring restitution (much preferable to punishing people, which smacks of house training a puppy).

There would be an end to this business of people being put through the system who've harmed no one. Who are punished for manufactured offenses against the state.

Can the state be a victim? Is the Tooth Fairy real? It's absurd – and vicious.

Cops: 147 Tickets PER HOUR but No Time to Investigate Rapists



Do you feel guilty of wrongdoing when pulled over by a cop for not wearing a seatbelt? Who have you harmed? What justification – other than ***“it’s the law”*** – is there for punishing you?

How about driving faster than an arbitrary number plastered on a sign? You get pulled out from a crowd of others doing the same thing; none of you harming anyone or even plausibly threatening it. It’s merely your unlucky day. Your time to pay.

As the cop slides in behind you, does your internal monologue run along the lines of, *“well, yeah... I did a bad thing... I deserve this.”*

Or do you feel disgust, anger – and resentment? Of course. This has serious implications.

Laws without a moral basis are just arbitrary rules. They have no moral force – and that makes people subjected to them feel abused.

Which they have been. Meanwhile, it also makes it more difficult to deal with the relatively small number of people in society who actually do cause harm to others. If you doubt this, take a drive into a “bad” neighborhood; where are all the cops?

New Ford Will Make You Obey Speed Limit



They’re manning radar traps and safety checkpoints in the “nice” neighborhoods!

Remember the “Drive 55” idiocy that lasted from about 1974 to 1995? Overnight – and for the next 20 years – it became illegal “speeding” to drive 70 when the day before it had been legal to do that and – presumably (being legal) “safe.”

How does it become “unsafe” to drive 70 on the same road today that it was (apparently) “safe” to drive 70 on yesterday?

What was it Bob Dooole used to say? You know it, I know it, the American people know it.

Millions of people were simply ripped off – had their money stolen from them under color of law.

The contempt and corruption this bred is incalculable. It festers to this day. Because while “Drive 55” is history, the same rigmarole exists on secondary roads. **Every day, thousands of people are pulled over and literally robbed.**

Issued what amount to ransom notes – state-sanctioned extortion – for driving at reasonable and prudent velocities that happen to have been codified as illegal “speeding.” The fact that virtually every one “speeds” – this includes cops – is the clearest, most inarguable proof that the laws are absurd. And their enforcement a sort of low-rent sadism that also happens to be very profitable.

What’s the solution? Speed limits as such ought to be thrown in the woods. They are arbitrary, morally indefensible – and most of all, one-size-fits-all.



People are individuals and some people are better at certain things than others. This includes driving. Tony Stewart is a better driver than I am. But I am a much better driver than my mother-in-law. Why should Tony Stewart be dumbed-down to my level?

And why should I be dumbed-down to my mother-in-law's? Imposing arbitrary, one-size-fits-all limits on anyone for anything is by definition unfair.

Arbitrary man-made "speeding" laws based on a dumbed-down/least-common-denominator standard amount to ugly and stupid people punishing the good-looking and smart ones.

The people who support such laws support anticipatory and pre-emptive punishment. That is, laws that assume something bad will happen if "x" is not punished.

And which punish the "offender" as if something bad had actually happened.

Even if it never did.

Innocence of having caused harm is (currently) no defense. It's not necessary for the government to produce a victim. All that's necessary, legally speaking, is for the state to prove that "the law" was violated.

Comrade Stalin would approve. Cue the keening wail that, absent speed limits, people will drive excessively fast and lose control. Yet they do exactly that already – speed limits notwithstanding. Just as people still drive soused (and senile, too).

The difference between the harm-caused/actual victim approach – and the "it's the law" approach – is that the former only holds those who actually do lose control – for whatever reason – accountable. Everyone else is free to go about their business. To live as adults – rather than be treated as presumptively unintelligent children.

What a concept!



Speed advisories would be fine. For example a sign letting you know that there is a sharp curve ahead and maybe reducing speed would be good. Drivers unfamiliar with that road – and never having driven that curve before – may find this information helpful. But why should the local who is familiar with that road – and who drives that curve everyday – be subject to punishment for taking the curve at a higher speed?

Assuming, of course, that he does so competently, without causing harm to anyone in the process?

That was once the American Way. Not “do as you please” – the dishonest, demagogic bleat of Clovers. But rather, do as you please... so long as you don't cause harm to others.

The false choice offered by Clovers is total control in exchange for total safety – the “risk free” world. But this is a quixotic quest that can never end, because risk cannot be removed from this life. We all get sick – and die eventually. Entropy happens.

What can be excised, however, is the risk to our liberties, our peace of mind, our enjoyment of life – presented by random and arbitrary interferences and punishments based not on what we've done, but on what “someone” might do.

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United States, New Zealand, Canadian, United Kingdom & Australian Governments Hacked Smartphones, Planted Spyware In Google Phone Apps

June 2 2015 | From: TruthInMedia

A new document from whistleblower Edward Snowden reveals that the United States, Canada, and other so-called “Five Eyes” nations hacked weaknesses in one of the world's most popular mobile browsers to access smartphone traffic. The hacking involved using apps in the Google and Samsung app stores.



Consistent with much of the Snowden revelations, the “mainstream” media has largely ignored the story.

According to the “Top Secret” document, the spying agencies of Canada, the U.S., Britain, Australia and New Zealand started targeting the UC Browser in 2011 after it was discovered that a leak released details of millions of users. UC Browser is the most popular app in China and India.

The agencies stated goal was to exploit the weakness to collect data on suspected terrorists or intelligence targets. Some cases apparently involved implanting spyware on targeted smartphones.

The Five Eyes nations were looking to exploit similar leaks in other mobile apps. CBC reports that the document shows the surveillance agencies did not alert the companies or the public about weaknesses.

The latest document release from Snowden was reported by The Intercept and Canada's CBC.

Canada's Communications Security Establishment surveillance agency refused to comment on the CBC report, while the British GCHQ stated that all surveillance programs are “*carried out in accordance with a strict legal and policy framework.*”

The U.S. National Security Agency and New Zealand surveillance agency did not respond to CBC News. Australia's signals intelligence agency refused to comment.

Not everyone believes the government's claims of accountability and promises that the program was only used in search of terrorists. Michael Geist, a professor at University of Ottawa and an expert on internet law, told the CBC:

“All of this is being done in the name of providing safety and yet ... Canadians or people around the world are put at risk.”

The documents also reveal that the Five Eyes agreed not to spy on each others' citizens and instead focused their attention on apps stores in France, Switzerland, the Netherlands, Cuba, Morocco, the Bahamas and Russia.

Every Man, Woman And Child: Why NSA surveillance Is Worse Than You've Ever Imagined

May 26 2015 | From: [Sott](#)

Last summer, after months of encrypted emails, I spent three days in Moscow hanging out with Edward Snowden for a *Wired* cover story. Over pepperoni pizza, he told me that what finally drove him to leave his country and become a whistleblower was his conviction that the National Security Agency was conducting illegal surveillance [on every American](#) [and everyone in every other country covered by the Five Eyes network]. Thursday, the Second Circuit Court of Appeals in New York agreed with him.



In a long-awaited opinion, the three-judge panel ruled that the NSA program that secretly intercepts the telephone metadata of every American — who calls whom and when — [was illegal](#). As a plaintiff with Christopher Hitchens and several others in the original ACLU lawsuit against the NSA, dismissed by another appeals court on a technicality, I had a great deal of personal satisfaction.

Comment: Interesting to note that Establishment-media outlet Reuters published this article.

Also, [John Key is either blatantly lying about this](#) - either that or he is so misinformed he is too incompetent to hold office as Prime Minister of New Zealand

It's now up to Congress to vote on whether or not to modify the law and continue the program, or let it die once and for all. Lawmakers [must vote on this matter](#) by June 1, when they need to reauthorize the Patriot Act.

Comment: Even if lawmakers actually vote to modify what the NSA is doing - which they most likely won't because they are likely already blackmailed or want to appear "strong" on issues of "national security" - the NSA is, with few exceptions, super-secretive and practically an entity unto itself; it would never allow its goals of profit and totalitarian awareness be curtailed.

It is a behemoth bureaucracy of malevolent intent that serves no one but the few within the 1% who are the real movers and shakers on the planet. And few of those interested parties have anything in common with normal and healthy-minded humans.

A key factor in that decision is the American public's attitude toward surveillance. [Snowden's revelations have clearly made a change](#) in that attitude. In a PEW 2006 survey, for example, after the *New York Times*' James Risen and Eric Lichtblau [revealed the agency's warrantless eavesdropping activities](#), 51 percent of the public still viewed the NSA's surveillance programs as acceptable, while 47 percent found them unacceptable.

After Snowden's revelations, those numbers reversed. A PEW survey in March revealed that 52 percent of the public is now concerned about government surveillance, while 46 percent is not.

Given the vast amount of revelations about NSA abuses, it is somewhat surprising that just slightly more than a majority of Americans seem concerned about government surveillance. Which leads to the question of why? Is there any kind of revelation that might push the poll numbers heavily against the NSA's spying programs? Has security fully trumped privacy as far as the American public is concerned? Or is there some program that would spark genuine public outrage?

Few people, for example, are aware that a NSA program known as TREASUREMAP is being developed to continuously map every Internet connection — cellphones, laptops, tablets — of everyone on the planet.

"Map the entire Internet," says the top secret NSA slide. "Any device, anywhere, all the time." It adds that the program will allow "Computer Attack/Exploit Planning" as well as "Network Reconnaissance."

One reason for the public's lukewarm concern is what might be called NSA fatigue. There is now a sort of acceptance of highly intrusive surveillance as the new normal, the result of a bombardment of news stories on the topic.

I asked Snowden about this;

"It does become the problem of one death is a tragedy and a million is a statistic," he replied,

"where today we have the violation of one person's rights is a tragedy and the violation of a million is a statistic.

The NSA is violating the rights of every American citizen every day on a comprehensive and ongoing basis. And that can numb us. That can leave us feeling disempowered, disenfranchised."

In the same way, at the start of a war, the numbers of Americans killed are front-page stories, no matter how small. But two years into the conflict, the numbers, even if far greater, are usually buried deep inside a paper or far down a news site's home page.



In addition, stories about NSA surveillance face the added burden of being technically complex, involving eye-glazing descriptions of sophisticated interception techniques and analytical capabilities. Though they may affect virtually every American, such as the telephone metadata program, because of the enormous secrecy involved, it is difficult to identify specific victims.

The way the surveillance story appeared also decreased its potential impact. Those given custody of the documents decided to spread the wealth for a more democratic assessment of the revelations. They distributed them through a wide variety of media — from start-up Web publications to leading foreign newspapers.

One document from the NSA director, for example, indicates that the agency was spying on visits to porn sites by people, making no distinction between foreigners and "U.S. persons," U.S. citizens or permanent residents. He then recommended using that information to secretly discredit them, whom he labeled as "radicalizers."

But because this was revealed by The Huffington Post, an online publication viewed as progressive, and was never reported by mainstream papers such as the *New York Times* or the *Washington Post*, the revelation never received the attention it deserved.

Comment: Nazis used the word "undesirables".

Another major revelation, a top-secret NSA map showing that the agency had planted malware — computer viruses — in more than 50,000 locations around the world, including many friendly countries such as Brazil, was reported in a relatively small Dutch newspaper, *NRC Handelsblad*, and likely never seen by much of the American public.

Comment: That's a new one on this reader, but somehow not surprising. The question is *why*, however. Why view so many others - even friends - as "the enemy". And what other bag of dirty tricks is the NSA up to that we have no clue of?

Thus, despite the volume of revelations, much of the public remains largely unaware of the true extent of the NSA's vast, highly aggressive and legally questionable surveillance activities. With only a slim majority of Americans expressing concern, the chances of truly reforming the system become greatly decreased.

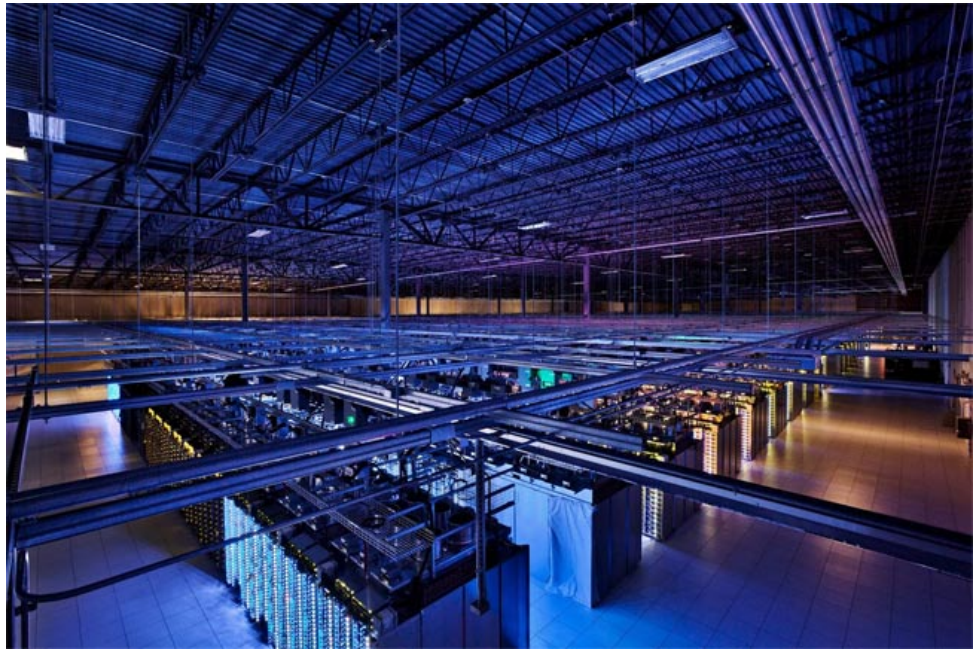
While the metadata program has become widely known because of the numerous court cases and litigation surrounding it, there are other NSA surveillance programs that may have far greater impact on Americans, but have attracted far less public attention.

In my interview with Snowden, for example, he said one of his most shocking discoveries was the NSA's policy of secretly and routinely passing to Israel's Unit 8200 — that country's NSA — and possibly other countries not just metadata but the actual contents of emails involving Americans.

This even included the names of U.S. citizens, some of whom were likely Palestinian-Americans communicating with relatives in Israel and Palestine.

An illustration of the dangers posed by such an operation comes from the sudden resignation last year of 43 veterans of Unit 8200, many of whom are still serving in the military reserves. The veterans accused the organization of using intercepted communication against innocent Palestinians for "political persecution."

This included information gathered from the emails about Palestinians' sexual orientations, infidelities, money problems, family medical conditions and other private matters to coerce people into becoming collaborators or to create divisions in their society.



Another issue few Americans are aware of is the NSA's secret email metadata collection program that took place for a decade or so until it ended several years ago. Every time an American sent or received an email, a record was secretly kept by the NSA, just as the agency continues to do with the telephone metadata program.

Though the email program ended, all that private information is still stored at the NSA, with no end in sight.

With NSA fatigue setting in, and the American public unaware of many of the agency's long list of abuses, it is little wonder that only slightly more than half the public is concerned about losing their privacy.

For that reason, I agree with Frederick A. O. Schwartz Jr., the former chief counsel of the Church Committee, which conducted a yearlong probe into intelligence abuses in the mid-1970s, that we need a similarly thorough, hard-hitting investigation today.

"Now it is time for a new committee to examine our secret government closely again," he wrote in a recent Nation magazine article, "particularly for its actions in the post-9/11 period."

Until the public fully grasps and understands how far over the line the NSA has gone in the past — legally, morally and ethically — there should be no renewal or continuation of NSA's telephone metadata program in the future.

James Bamford writes frequently on intelligence and is the author of three books about the National Security Agency, most recently, "The Shadow Factory: The Ultra-Secret NSA from 9/11 to the Eavesdropping on America."

Chief Constable Simon Bailey, chair of Operation Hydrant, said that referrals to new suspects "are increasing on an almost daily basis." "The numbers I refer to today are a snapshot in time," he added.

So far Operation Hydrant, which was created by National Police Chief's Council (NPCC), is investigating a number of alleged abuse inquiries, but is not specifically leading a particular investigation.

Comment: The NSA is a technocratic beast; a runaway train with a gaping maw that would seek to label every man, woman and child on the planet as either a threat or a sheep to the very apparatus it seeks to serve. Its power and intent are largely unknown and unimaginable to most because information about it, until only the last few years, has been scarce. It also didn't have the name recognition of the CIA though it is several times larger! And is the stuff of dystopian science fiction novels.

Though presented with a decidedly fundamentalist Christian point of view, the book [Project L. U. C. I. D.: The Beast 666 Universal Human Control System](#) by Texe Marrs is well researched and points to what the NSA has been doing for quite a while now. It is all the more interesting since the book was written nearly twenty years ago, and well marks the NSA's development and the growing fruition of its true purpose.

Watchdog Starts Second Spy Probe / Spy Review Hobbled Before It Begins

May 21 2015 | From: [NewZealandHerald](#) / [DominionPost](#)

Herald story triggers look at agency's role in minister's bid for top world trade job + Is it a whitewash from the outset?



A new inquiry into NZ's electronic surveillance service is being started as the country's intelligence watchdog tries to find out if it makes good decisions about who to spy on, and how it stays politically neutral.

The Inspector-General of Intelligence and Security, Cheryl Gwyn, linked the inquiry to claims the Government Communications Security Bureau (GCSB) spied on foreign diplomats competing against Trade Minister Tim Groser to lead the World Trade Organisation.



Inspector-General of Intelligence and Security Cheryl Gwyn

But she said it was unlikely she would be able to probe the allegations. Instead, she said, the inquiry would study the way the GCSB chose its targets, what its decision-making process was and how it stuck to its duty to be neutral in cases where there might be political advantage.

The Groser claims were among a string of stories broken by the Herald in a collaborative reporting project with investigative journalist [Nicky Hager](#) and [The Intercept](#), the US news site with access to the trove of secret documents obtained by intelligence whistleblower Edward Snowden.



Tim Groser

It is the second inquiry to be started after the Herald published stories based on top-secret GCSB and National Security Agency documents. The first inquiry was into New Zealand spying in the Pacific.

Ms Gwyn said the new inquiry was instigated by her office;

"I consider the issues raised about the process followed when the GCSB considers undertaking particular intelligence activity are of sufficient public importance to warrant an own-motion inquiry.

"While it is unlikely I will be able to publicly confirm or deny the specific allegations relating to this process, I can inquire more generally into how the GCSB determines, within its statutory constraints, what intelligence activity to undertake and what policies and procedures are in place to regulate its activities."

- ▷ Ms Gwyn said the inquiry would study how the GCSB established whether a proposed spying job fitted its legal role and New Zealand's needs.
- ▷ It would also look at the GCSB analysis of benefits and risks, and how it handled situations in which there could be perceptions of political advantage.
- ▷ It would also consider how the GCSB kept its minister informed in situations where there was a "potentially contested assessment" of the justification for the spying.
- ▷ The Herald reported that the GCSB set up search filters to extract online references to those competing from other countries for the WTO job.
- ▷ Criticism was voiced after the story appeared over how this served New Zealand's interests as the WTO job is meant to be administrative and neutral.

Editorial: Spy Review Hobbled Before It Begins?

The new committee carrying out a wide-ranging review of intelligence oversight is not equipped for the task.



Sir Michael Cullen is part of the committee carrying out a review of intelligence oversight

Sir Michael Cullen served while an MP on the Intelligence and Security committee, a toothless watchdog which meets for only a few hours a year and has no power to hold the spies or their political masters to account.

This committee is a constitutional monstrosity: it meets **at the pleasure of the prime minister** and he controls it. It is not a select committee that can test the executive.

Cullen showed no inclination to question the role of the committee. **He was, it seems, perfectly happy to serve on a hollow and useless institution.**

The Labour Party, in fact, **[also]** has in general been uninterested in reform of the spy services and their oversight.

The appointment of Dame Patsy Reddy as the other inquirer is even stranger. Reddy is a lawyer and businesswoman who serves on many boards. She has no experience in the field of intelligence. She might, perhaps, have been a useful lay member of a larger inquiry.

She certainly does not have the firepower to be one of only two investigators.



Dame Patsy Reddy, DNZM with the Governor-General of New Zealand, Lt Gen The Rt Hon Sir Jerry Mateparae

Intelligence pundit Paul Buchanan says the committee needs truly independent members, preferably from overseas, and far more than two.

He is right. This matters a great deal, because there have been successive scandals in the spy services and the public is in desperate need of reassurance about the democratic accountability of those services. They won't get it from this committee.

It is true that the Inspector-General of Security, Cheryl Gwyn, has shown a genuine independence in her inquiries. Her investigation of the spies' role in the Phil Goff affair was truly damning.

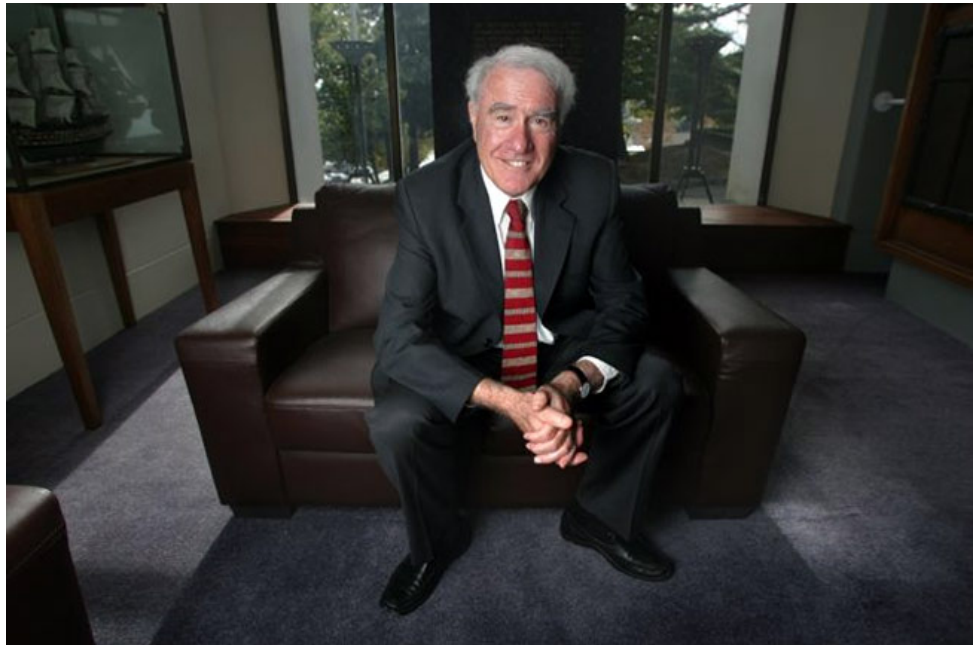


Phil Goff

She has also rightly launched an inquiry into the scandalous revelation that the GCSB spied on the overseas rivals of Trade Minister Tim Groser in his failed bid to head the World Trade Organisation.

But the inspector can't do an independent investigation of the role of the politicians who appointed her and whom she serves. For that, another agency is needed.

The best approach, as former prime minister Geoffrey Palmer has argued, is to set up a parliamentary select committee, similar to the congressional oversight committees in the United States.



Former New Zealand Prime Minister Geoffrey Palmer

For too long the spies have used the mystery of their profession to avoid proper democratic oversight. The various abuses uncovered by Edward Snowden should have shattered this mystique forever. The spies have enormous powers and their oversight has been lamentable.



Edward Snowden

Prime Minister John Key has dismissed Snowden's revelations as "just wrong".

All the evidence suggests that Snowden is right.

But Key's response in these matters is typically mere bluster, and so is Chris Finlayson's.



Chris Finlayson

The Minister in charge of the SIS and the GCSB responded to questions on radio in his usual waspish and unpleasant way.

Clearly Key and Finlayson won't hold the spies to account.

So somebody else needs to do it.

Zuckerberg's Internet.org Will Control What Billions Do Online

May 17 2015 | From: [NoFakeInternet](#)

We all deserve access to the *real* open Internet. Stand with people around the world demanding Zuckerberg stops restricting access to the open Internet.



People in countries like India, Zimbabwe, Brazil, and Paraguay are speaking out about Facebook's so-called Internet.org platform and its ability to control what billions of Internet users can do online. Zuckerberg's partnership with telecom giants, Internet.org, provides access to a fake Internet where selected services are prioritized over others. This scheme threatens innovation, free expression, and privacy online.

The *fake* Internet will also restrict access to local service providers struggling to get a foothold online.

We all now know Zuckerberg's Internet.org platform is not the real Internet. Not even close. Internet users around the world would rather he use his influence for good and promote access to the real open Internet, not just his fake imitation.

But their goal is control. They want to decide what you see, all while exposing you to massive security holes and vulnerabilities. Internet.org is a reckless violation of net neutrality.

What's worse: Zuckerberg's closed Internet platform failed to consult impacted users and fundamentally undermines longstanding efforts to create affordable access to the open Internet.

Everyday users, Internet freedom groups, and prominent websites around the world oppose these types of schemes to restrict access to independent web services.

As Matias Insaurralde from Paraguay puts it: "Giving access to just a few sites in a country that historically had bad connectivity and very high costs sounds like a bad joke."

And we know Facebook is also already moving to take control of existing users' web surfing.

Now it's up to Internet users everywhere to make sure that the net remains free and open for us and the next wave of users.

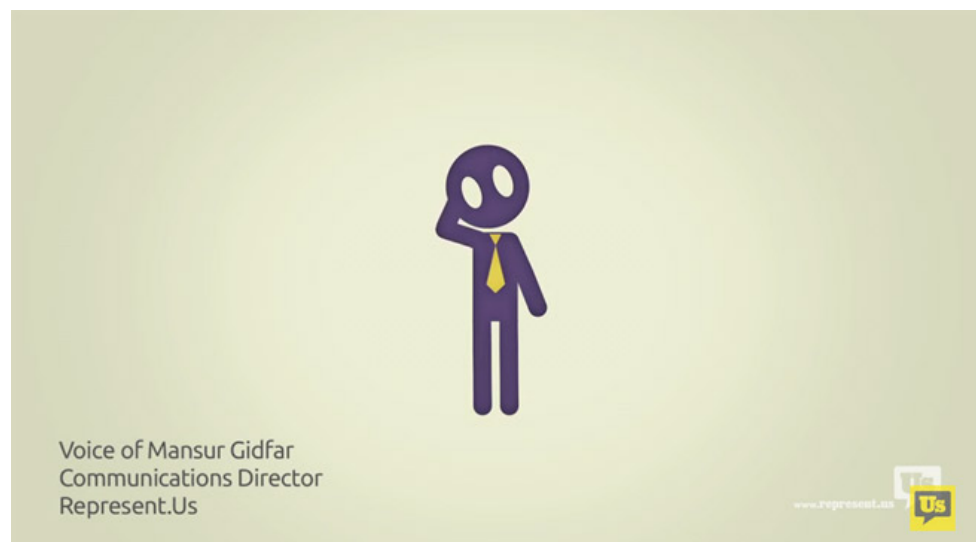
[Do your part by sending a clear message today.](#)



Have You Ever Felt Like The Government Doesn't Really Care What You Think?

May 12 2015 | From: [RepresentUs](#)

Professors Martin Gilens (Princeton University) and Benjamin I. Page (Northwestern University) looked at more than 20 years worth of data to answer a simple question: Does the government represent the people?



Their study [which took place in the US but which is equally applicable to all other western countries] took data from nearly 2000 public opinion surveys and compared it to the policies that ended up becoming law.

In other words, they compared what the public wanted to what the government actually did. What they found was extremely unsettling: The opinions of 90% of Americans has essentially no impact at all.

This video gives a quick rundown of their findings — it all boils down to one simple graph:

Corruption is Legal in America



Read more at: [RepresentUs](#)

Military Electronic Warfare Expert Warns Of Covert Genocide

May 10 2015 | From: [ChemtrailsPlanet](#)

Since the 1950s, Soviet/Russian and U.S. Militaries have been researching electromagnetic frequencies to determine which are the most harmful to humans



The statement coincided with a visit from the UN's top climate negotiator.

Maurice Newman, chairman of Prime Minister Tony Abbott's business advisory council, **said the UN is using false models which show sustained temperature increases because it wants to end democracy and impose authoritarian rule.**

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Parliamentary Health Committee (HESA) 2015
Ottawa, ON. Canada

Dear Committee Members,

Safety Code 6 plus Corruption = An Emerging Genocide!

Distinguished international scientists and leading health researchers in the recondite science of non-ionizing radiation know that the most dangerous threat to human health – **EVER** – is the ongoing, unchecked proliferation of wireless radio devices, such as Smart Meters, baby monitors, cell phones, cell phone towers, cordless phones, Wi-Fi routers, Wi-Fi and WiMAX installations (which can blanket entire major cities!), GPS, Bluetooth, tablet and laptop computers, Interactive TV games, RFIDs, etc., all of which emit toxic *"low-level, pulsed, non-thermal radio frequency (RF) radiation"*!

For clarity, "microwaves" are electromagnetic waves with frequencies between 300 MHz (0.3 GHz) and 300 GHz in the RF spectrum, which spans from 3 kHz to 300 GHz.

I am a retired Canadian Armed Forces captain who spent 22 of my 26 years in the military in the arcane fields of Electronic Warfare (EW) and Signals Intelligence (SIGINT).

At the zenith of my career, I was the Executive Officer and Operations Officer at one of Canada's largest and most sensitive intelligence-gathering stations, where for two years I personally directed some 200-plus specially-trained radio operators and technicians. Subsequently, I was posted into National Defense Headquarters (NDHQ), Ottawa, into the Directorate of Electronic Warfare (DEW).

In this two-year period, I worked closely with U.S., Canadian and NATO army E.W. units, completed a lengthy NATO army EW officers' course in Anzio, Italy and participated in a major NATO army EW field exercise in the Black Forest of Germany.

Earlier in my career, I conducted EW aboard two Canadian warships in exercises with Canadian, U.S. and other international naval allies. My bread and butter for more than 22 years was the radio frequency (RF) spectrum.

Military History

All governments need to realize that, since at least the 1950s, Soviet/Russian and U.S. Militaries have each spent vast sums of money painstakingly studying and cataloguing all RF frequencies to determine which are the most harmful to humans!

The Soviets irradiated the U.S. Embassy in Moscow for 23 years (1953-1976) for just 6-8 hours a day, five days a week, using similar frequencies, similar modulations, and even less power than are used in today's Smart Meters, baby monitors, cell phones, etc.!

Even though the Embassy was irradiated for what amounted to just 25% of the time, three U.S. ambassadors died: two from cancer, one from Leukemia-like symptoms; 16 women developed breast cancer, and most other staff suffered illnesses of some sort.

The U.S. military responded by launching its Project Pandora (1954-1971), from which they too learned which specific frequencies, with which modulations, at what power densities had the most devastating effects on humans – which included: cancers, heart attacks, hysteria, trauma, suicides, etc.

Governments need to realize that all modern militaries now possess ever-expanding arsenals of EW weapons, which use precisely the same RF frequencies that inexcusably ignorant Industry Canada today permits wireless and telecom companies, and now utilities, to utilize in their wireless products (see below)! Militaries have long known that:

- Microwaves are the "perfect" weapon, for one cannot hear, see, smell, taste or feel them, plus they leave no trace of evidence!
- Frequencies within the band 900 MHz (or 0.9 GHz) to 5 GHz are the most lethal against humans because they penetrate more deeply all organ systems of the body and therefore put all human organs at risk!
(Yet Industry Canada has authorized baby monitors, Smart Meters and all of today's other wireless devices to operate in this very band of frequencies!)
- 'Pulsed' radiation is more harmful to humans than is "continuous wave" radiation.
(Yet Industry Canada permits today's wireless products to emit pulsed radiation!)
- The harmful effects of EMR (electromagnetic radiation) are cumulative; they add up!
- Certain frequencies are unique in that the weakest levels of radiation, for reasons unknown, cause more harm to humans than does more powerful radiation.
- Soviet/Russian scientists produced thousands of studies, which were offered to the West, showing that non-thermal radiation (the kind emitted by today's wireless products) is harmful to all life forms. Both the corrupt WHO (World Health Organization) and ICNIRP (International Commission on Non-Ionizing Radiation Protection) – who study only thermal radiation – refused the offer, thus denying Western scientists the opportunity to learn about non-thermal radiation from the Soviet/Russian studies!
- http://www.weepinitiative.org/LINKEDDOCS/scientific/20080117_bevington_emfs.pdf
- <http://www.emfacts.com/2012/08/rncnirp-to-issue-report-on-russian-rf-research/>

Non-Military Science

Distinguished scientists and leading health researchers around the globe know that:

- There is no such thing as a 'safe' *threshold* of radiation; the only 'safe' *level* is zero!
- The *non-thermal RF radiation* (also called EMR) emitted by all wireless devices is *cumulative*; it all combines and blends together, like an ever-thickening fog!
- Non-thermal EMR causes, promotes or is linked to the exponential rise in all of today's major illnesses, including all cancers, ADHD, asthma, Multiple Sclerosis, leukemia, Alzheimer's, dementia, Autism, ADD, Parkinson's, ALS, etc. *(Yet Health Canada refuses to admit this!)*
- Cancers and other major diseases have a latency period of 10-15 years or more!
- Cell phones have never been tested for 'safety' in any jurisdiction to prove they can be used by and/or around people on a continuous 24/7/365 basis, in perpetuity!
- In 1984, the U.S. FDA (Food and Drug Administration) exempted cell phones from having to undergo mandatory 'pre-market' testing because industry convinced them that cell phone radiation was too weak to be of concern. This opened the flood-gates for today's constellation of wireless devices, including Smart Meters, all of which use the same technology on similar frequencies!
- Not one peer-reviewed scientific study exists – anywhere – showing that cell phones are safe!
- The U.S. Cell phone industry's own six-year study (\$28.5-million USD, in '93-'99) showed they are not safe!
- All cell phone Owner Manuals contain, in very fine print, warnings for the user not to hold the phone closer than, in the case of Blackberry – 0.98"; Apple – 5/8"; Motorola – 1" from any part of the body – not just the head!
- Since 2001 Motorola, Nokia, Siemens and other cell phone companies have taken out global patents that

acknowledge cell phone radiation can lead to cancers!

- Wireless and cell phone companies, and electric utilities cannot get insurance against health-related claims attributed to wireless radiation!
- In 2010, CTIA's (Cellular Telecommunications Internet Association)'s own Sr. VP External and State Affairs told a public audience in California: "I have not told you once, not once, that cell phones are safe; The FCC is telling you they are safe!" (CTIA is the industry's association that lobbies all levels of government across the U.S. on behalf of its members)

It is absolutely frightening to realize how completely inept and negligent the Government of Canada has been since the 1980s in fulfilling its duty to protect the public from the toxic *non-thermal EMR* emitted by wireless radio devices!

Aside from Health Canada – who are notoriously corrupt, dating back to the 1970s – not one competent senior health authority exists – either in Ottawa or in any of the provinces – who has any meaningful knowledge of or expertise in this form of radiation – which is literally everywhere today!

This means that: **No** provincial Minister of Health; **No** provincial senior public health officer (PHO); **No** national Chief PHO; **No** member of Canada's "Pan-Canadian Public Health Network"; **Nor**, I suspect, any senior member of the Canadian Medical Association (CMA) is capable of protecting the Canadian public, because they are all ignorant of non-thermal EMR – which Health Canada steadfastly insists does not harm people! Shocking! Disgraceful! Absolutely criminal!

It is impossible to exaggerate the unprecedented danger all Canadians find themselves in today (as is the case for most people in the world), which could not possibly have happened had this admittedly recondite subject matter (non-ionizing radiation) been taught to aspiring medical doctors in medical schools; been recognized or understood by the CMA; or had our series of national Chief PHOs been selected more carefully.

With no one to provide oversight, Health Canada continues to be able to do much as it pleases. One has only to Google: "*Michael Repacholi, World Health Organization, Corruption*," to gain a glimpse of the corruption just one scientist brought, not only to Health Canada, but to ICNIRP and then to the WHO itself! Another glimpse can be had by Googling: "*Health Canada, Conflict of Interest, Sharon Noble*."

All governments in Canada and the public need to also note that, with no competent health authority to question or challenge its decisions, Health Canada has been free to promulgate a 'one size fits all' radiation Exposure Limit in Safety Code 6, which applies to all Canadians – regardless of size or the state of one's health!

It makes no distinction between tiny developing embryos, pregnant women, newborn babies, children, normal-sized adults, huge men and women, the sick and elderly! Yet scientists have known for years that a baby's skull absorbs at least five (5) times as much radiation as does an adult's!

All levels of government, all health care authorities across Canada, and the CMA itself need to wake up and realize that both Health Canada and Industry Canada are – and have been for decades – deeply embedded with what has become a corrupt cartel of the four radiation Regulatory Agencies: WHO, ICNIRP, IEEE (Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers) and the FCC (Federal Communications Commission).

All share similar egregiously high radiation Exposure Limits – which are amongst the highest/most dangerous in the world! All have strong ties to the electricity industry! http://www.next-up.org/pdf/who_conflict.pdf

Neither Health Canada nor any of its corrupt cartel colleagues will recognize (admit) that:

- Non-thermal EMR can be harmful to humans and all life forms!
(Their collective position is: "If the radiation does not heat the skin, it cannot be harmful!")
- Powerline (60 Hz) electric and magnetic fields (EMFs) are harmful to people!
(Scientists say that a safe ambient level of EMFs in a home would be not more than 1 mG (milliGauss))! They've known for decades that an ambient level of just 3-4 mG causes Leukemia in children! Russia allows up to 1.5 mG; Sweden, up to 2.5 mG!
Note: Contrast the above with all members of the 'Western cartel; who are tied to the electricity industry: Health Canada – says EMFs have not been proven harmful, and therefore it allows EMFs up to 1,000 mG! IEEE – allows up to 10,000 mG! ICNIRP and WHO – both allow 2,000 mG for short term exposure in residences, and up to 9,000 mG for short term occupational exposure! http://www.next-up.org/pdf/who_conflict.pdf
- EHS is a legitimate impairment or disability people experience when constantly exposed to EMR and/or EMFs! (Discovered by German scientists in 1932, the WHO finally recognized EHS in 2005, as have many countries of the world. It is known that Nikola Tesla was EHS!
- http://www.weepinitiative.org/LINKEDDOCS/scientific/20080117_bevington_emfs.pdf

Governments must no longer ignore what the Soviet/Russian and U.S. Militaries learned from their seven-decades-long exhaustive research:

- a) microwaves are the perfect military weapon;
- b) low-level, pulsed, non-thermal radiation – at even the weakest levels – is harmful to all living things; and,
- c) the most lethal frequencies within the entire RF band are between 900 MHz to 5 GHz – and are particularly lethal to a human's central nervous system and immune system.

Any EMR emitted on microwave frequencies is a potential weapon – not a consumer product!

That Industry Canada could see fit to permit today's wireless radio devices, such as Smart Meters, baby monitors, cell phones, etc., to utilize the above-mentioned band of lethal frequencies speaks volumes for their gross ignorance of what militaries have long known.

There exist today literally thousands of studies done by honest scientists from around the world showing that **any** wireless radio device is harmful to people, flora and fauna! The evidence is simply too compelling. In all decency, it must no longer be ignored!

In closing, I have evidence to support everything I have said above. My earnest hope is that each of you is now better able to understand today's reality.

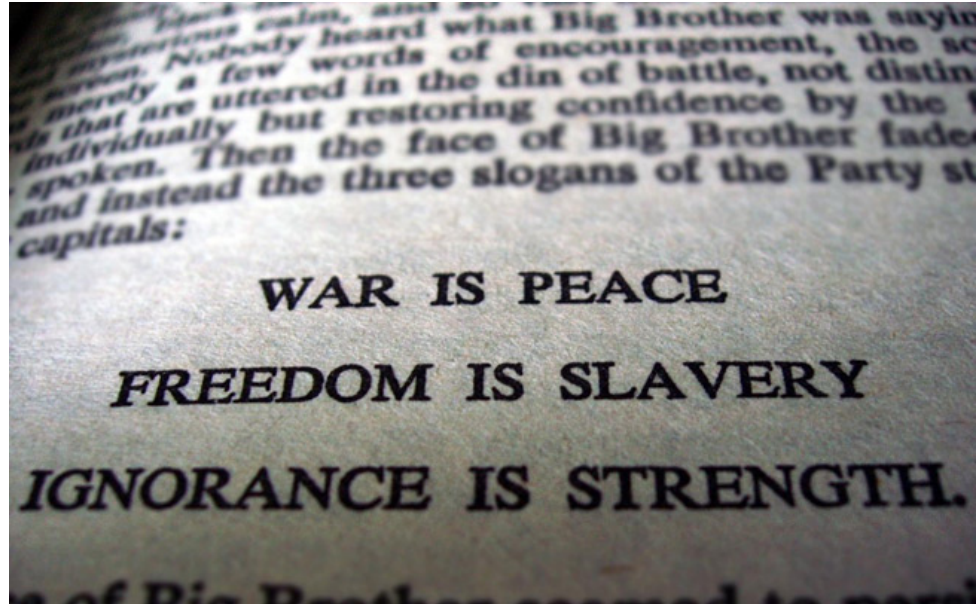
One cannot exaggerate the scale and scope of today's corruption — that now literally threatens the entire globe! Unless you and other honest elected officials elsewhere put a stop to this insanity, mankind's worst-ever genocide will become a reality! I am available to answer questions. Thank you for your time.
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A Totalitarian Society Has Totalitarian Science

May 7 2015 | From: [JonRappoport](#)

And vice versa. Totalitarian science lets you know you're living in a totalitarian society



The totalitarian party principles from George Orwell's "1984"

The government, the press, the mega-corporations, the prestigious foundations, the academic institutions, the "humanitarian" organizations say:

"This is the disease. This is its name. This is what causes it. This is the drug that treats it. This is the vaccine that prevents it."

"This is how accurate diagnosis is done. These are the tests. These are the possible results and what they mean."

"Here are the genes. This is what they do. This is how they can be changed and substituted and manipulated. These are the outcomes."

"These are the data and the statistics. They are correct. There can be no argument about them."

"This is life. These are the components of life. All change and improvement result from our management of the components."

"This is the path. It is governed by truth which science reveals. Walk the path. We will inform you when you stray. We will report new improvements."

"This is the end. You can go no farther. You must give up the ghost. We will remember you."

We are now witnessing the acceleration of Official Science. Of course, that term is an internal contradiction. But the State shrugs and moves forward.

The notion that the State can put its seal on favored science, enforce it, and punish its competitors, is anathema to a free society.

► **For example:** declaring that psychiatrists can appear in court as expert witnesses, [when none of the so-called mental disorders listed in the psychiatric literature are diagnosed by laboratory tests.](#)

► **For example:** [stating that vaccination is mandatory](#), in order to protect the vaccinated (who are supposed to be immune) from the unvaccinated. An absurdity on its face.

► **For example:** announcing that the science of climate change is "settled," when there are, in fact, [huge numbers of researchers who disagree](#). And then, drafting legislation and issuing executive orders based on the decidedly unsettled science.

► **For example:** officially approving the release and sale of medical drugs ("safe and effective") [which go on to kill, at a](#)

[conservative estimate, 100,000 Americans every year](#). And then [refusing to investigate or punish](#) the purveyors of these drug approvals (the FDA).

► **For example:** permitting the widespread use of genetically modified food crops, [based on no long-term studies of their impact on human health](#). And then, arbitrarily announcing that the herbicide, Roundup, for which many of these crops are specifically designed, [is non-toxic](#).

► **For example:** declaring and promoting the existence of various epidemics, when the viruses purportedly causing them are not proven to exist and/or not proven to cause human illness ([Ebola](#), [SARS](#), [West Nile](#), [Swine Flu](#), [etc.](#))

A few of you reading this have been with me since 1988, when I published my first book, [AIDS INC... Scandal of the Century](#). Among other conclusions, I pointed out that HIV had never been shown to cause human illness; the front-line drug given to AIDS patients, AZT, was overwhelmingly toxic; and what was being called AIDS was actually a diverse number immune-suppressing conditions.

Others of you have found my work more recently, since I started this site in 2001. I always return to the subject of false science, because it is the most powerful long-term instrument for repression, political control, and destruction of human life.

As I've stated on many occasions, medical science is ideal for mounting and launching covert ops aimed at populations - because it appears to be politically neutral, without any allegiance to State interests.

Unfortunately, medical science, on many fronts, has been hijacked and taken over. The profit motive is one objective, but beyond that, there is a more embracing goal:

Totalitarian control.

It aims to replace your freedom, consciousness, and intelligence with its own synthetic versions.

WIRED Magazine Now Totally Admits What The Entire Media Called 'Loony Conspiracy Theories' Just Five Years Ago To Be Real

April 25 2015 | From: [NaturalNews](#)

Remember when it was considered the subject matter of tin foil hat-wearers to surmise that everything we do, say, or search for online is being tracked by covert government agencies acting in blatant violation of the U.S. Constitution?



Well, now it's become common knowledge that we live in this exact, illicit surveillance society, as is now openly admitted by popular media sites such as WIRED.

A recent piece by the site's Bruce Schneier lifts a veil on the mass surveillance activities taking place by the likes of the National Security Agency (NSA), whose cover was blown by whistleblower Edward Snowden in 2013, and subsequently by several others.

Initially, it was thought that such technological capacity only existed in sci-fi films, and that surely government agencies don't have the time or resources to collect information on, well, *everyone*.

But now it turns out that this premise is actually a reality -- the military-industrial complex, in the name of "national security" and the **faux "war on terror"** is actively collecting what Schneier explains is a treasure trove of metadata on practically every [western person] American.

And it is doing so without consent or constitutional approval, with seemingly no recourse for those who would choose, if they could, to opt-out.

"We may not like to admit it, but we are under mass surveillance," writes Schneier for *WIRED*, dispelling all accusations that government spying is some kind of loony conspiracy theory.

NSA and other treasonous organizations surveil Americans to maintain military dictatorship, not to protect "national security"

In his eye-opening report, Schneier highlights the difference between data, or more precisely the *content* of a person's conversations and emails, and metadata, which he dubs the *context* of a person's entire life. By simply analyzing **who** you call regularly rather than **what** you're actually saying during a call, for example, agencies like the [NSA](#) are able to compile what they believe to be an accurate profile of what you're doing and thinking.

Based on this information, the powers that be believe they're entitled to make decisions about your "threat" level - not in terms of a real threat to freedom or liberty, of course, but a threat to the establishment that's fighting wars, destroying economies, and controlling the world, in essence, in the *construction of a centralized world order*.

It's all about power and control, in other words, and the cohort of metadata that can be gathered through internet search histories, mobile phone calls, and other sinister tracking protocols is the direct means to this end.

Your [privacy](#) isn't a concern in any of this, and the corporations involved in making these data mining activities a reality are oftentimes just accessories to treason.

Because in truth, the activities of agencies like the NSA are what really constitute terrorism, not the everyday movements, thoughts, and communications of a supposedly "free" people.

Data mining and spying by the government are both patently criminal activities, and no amount of "national security" propaganda will ever change that fact. And yet these practices continue because most people aren't willing to stop them.

"Metadata absolutely tells you everything about somebody's life," admitted NSA General Counsel and traitor Stewart Baker about what our infiltrated government apparatus is up to when it comes to tracking the population.

"If you have enough metadata you don't really need content. We kill people based on metadata."

In the words of the Electronic Frontier Foundation (EFF):

"The U.S. government ... has engaged in massive, illegal dragnet surveillance of the domestic communications and communications records of millions of ordinary Americans at least 2001."

Britain's IoD: "Smart Meters Are A Government IT Disaster Waiting To Happen"

April 9 2015 | From: [TakeBackYourPower](#)

The UK's leading business network of company directors has issued a damning report and warning against the UK's planned "smart" meter rollout.

Not too clever: will Smart Meters be the next Government IT disaster?

Authors: Dan Lewis and Jamie Kerr

IoD Policy Report

IoD calls for Smart Meters scheme to be 'halted, altered or scrapped' to avoid 'unjustified, over-engineered and expensive mistake'

The Government's rollout of Smart Meters, digital energy meters designed to provide real-time usage statistics, should be "halted, altered or scrapped" to avoid a potentially catastrophic government IT disaster, the Institute of Directors warns today.

In a major new report entitled "[Not too clever: will Smart Meters be the next Government IT disaster?](#)" the IoD brands the £11bn scheme, the largest government IT project in history, "unwanted by consumers, devoid of credibility and mind-blowingly expensive". The business group calls on an incoming government to review the project and "consider a fresh start".

View or download the IoD report:

[Not too clever: Will Smart Meters be the next Government IT disaster?](#)

(PDF, Released March 27, 2015)

Summary:

► Smart meters are the largest UK Government-run IT project in history, and the most expensive and complex

smart meter programme in the world.

- ▶ The risks of such a huge programme with so much complexity are staggering.
- ▶ The pace of technological innovation may well leave the current generation of meters behind and leave consumers in a cycle of installation, de-installation and re-installation.
- ▶ Three assessments of the programme by the Major Projects Authority have not been published. This is unacceptable.
- ▶ It is imperative to move towards a cost-effective smart meter rollout by embracing one or all of the following cost-saving and simplifying measures:
 - ▶ i) Halting the smart gas meter deployment;
 - ▶ ii) Removing the requirement for an in home display;
 - ▶ iii) Reduce rollout to only those homes that have a high energy usage;
 - ▶ iv) Abandon attempts to stretch the rollout to flats and tower blocks;
 - ▶ v) Make the programme genuinely voluntary;
 - ▶ vi) Abandon the programme altogether and develop a smartphone app that allows customers to take their own readings.
- ▶ Over the years, the ambition and scale of Government IT projects has not been matched by appropriate management and planning.
- ▶ 80 per cent of surveyed IoD members believe Government's ability to deliver successful IT projects is poor.

The Smart Meter programme, which has the hugely ambitious target of installing 100 million new pieces of kit in homes and business by 2020, was initiated by Ed Miliband as energy secretary in 2008, following an EU Directive, and confirmed by the Coalition Agreement in 2010.

The report's author, Dan Lewis, Senior Infrastructure Advisor at the IoD, calls the political consensus "a conspiracy of silence among politicians in thrall to big ideas and even bigger budgets".

Lewis continues:

"The professed aims of the Smart Meter programme are laudable, and we all recognise the benefits of reducing consumption and increasing energy awareness. But there is little credible evidence to suggest that a scheme of this size and complexity will achieve those goals."

The IoD report highlights a number of key concerns:

Despite the EU Directive, 11 nations have ruled out electricity smart meters and only 5 are pushing ahead with the 2020 target for gas meters. In contrast, as is so often is the case, the UK has gold-plated the Directive.

- ▶ The government refuses to publish any of the reports on the programme by the Major Projects Authority.
- ▶ The cost-benefit analysis conducted by the Department for Energy and Climate Change is so heavily redacted as to be almost unreadable.
- ▶ The Smart Meter network would be vulnerable to cyber-attack and disruption.
- ▶ Introducing time-of-day pricing to shift consumer demand will only work with price increases that are not politically realistic. Retail consumers really can't change their energy consumption that much.

The report places the rollout of Smart Meters within the context of previous large-scale IT fiascos, including the infamous NHS National Programme for IT, the eBorders Programme and the BBC's disastrous Digital Media Initiative. Furthermore, a recent survey shows that 80 per cent of IoD members rate the ability of government to manage large IT projects as "poor or very poor".

Dan Lewis adds:

"This scheme is far from smart. The dishonourable roll call of government IT projects that have haemorrhaged vast amounts of taxpayers' money to no discernible effect needs no further additions."

Consumers will not forgive the already unpopular energy companies for a costly programme which fails to deliver and ends up making them poorer. Without a change of direction, whoever wins the general election is at risk of overseeing a spectacular failure in the next parliament. They would be well-advised to consider a fresh start."

"Consumers do not want the meters, they have proved a costly mistake in countries where they have been rolled out, and the Government is withholding key details about their costs and benefits. This makes for a programme which is devoid of credibility, over-engineered and mind-blowingly expensive."

Perhaps the only reason why the cost and ambition of this project has not become a national scandal already is because of a conspiracy of silence among politicians in thrall to big ideas and even bigger budgets."

A key area of concern outlined in the report is that the technology behind the scheme is untested and some parts will likely be obsolete by the scheduled switch-on date of 2020.

The new wireless standard, ZigBee, which is being developed for Smart Meters is complex and expensive compared to the

better-known Wi-Fi or Bluetooth. Each property will also get an in home display, but there is scant evidence of consumer demand. British Gas found that only 60% of customers looked at their displays even once a month a year after installation.

An incoming government should consider the following changes:

- ▶ **Stop the smart gas meter deployment** – only a handful of EU nations are planning to deploy gas smart meters by 2020. This would save billions of pounds.
- ▶ **Remove the requirement for an in home display** – expected to cost £800m in total, the displays will be out of date in a few years. Far better to connect smart meters to people's phones, tablets and PCs
- ▶ **Limit the rollout to homes with high energy usage** – those who use more than 5,100 kWh of electricity, and 23,000 kWh of gas a year have much more to gain. This would reduce the scale of the rollout by 80%.
- ▶ **Abandon attempts to stretch the rollout to tower blocks** – the most technically challenging aspect of the project with the lowest potential returns. This would remove seven million homes from the scheme.
- ▶ **Make the programme genuinely voluntary** – offered to customers at their own expense, not subsidised by all.
- ▶ **Abandon the whole programme and develop a smart phone app instead** – look into developing a smart app which would convert a photo of their current mechanical meter into a meaningful number for the suppliers. This would cost tens of thousands of pounds rather than billions.

Lewis added:

"We know that an incoming government will be under intense financial pressure, having to find further cuts to public spending. This does not fit well with increasing energy bills for a project that has such unrealistic targets, such large costs and such uncertain benefits."

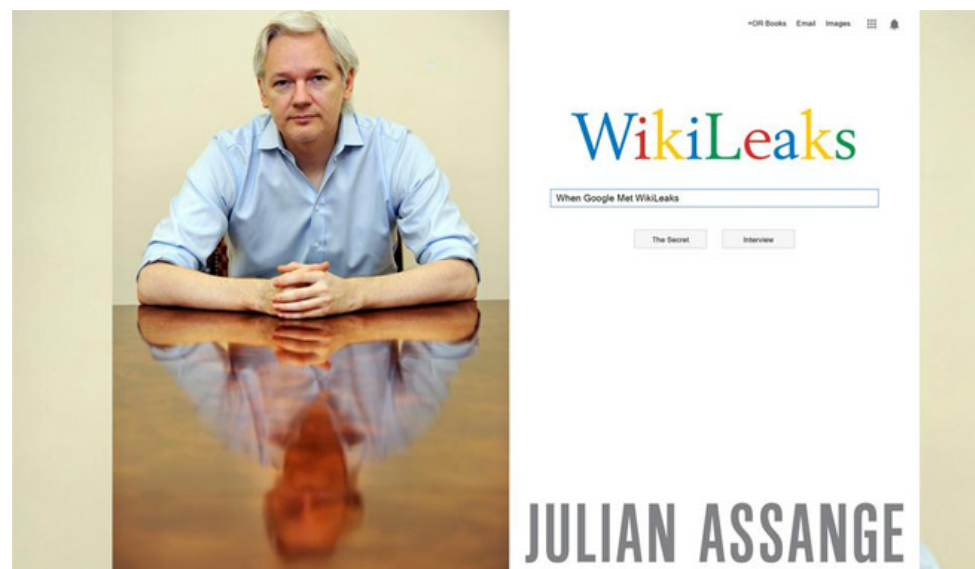
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Assange: Google Is Not What It Seems

April 7 2015 | From: [Newsweek](#)

In June 2011, Julian Assange received an unusual visitor: the chairman of Google, Eric Schmidt, arrived from America at Ellingham Hall, the country house in Norfolk, England where Assange was living under house arrest.



For several hours the besieged leader of the world's most famous insurgent publishing organization and the billionaire head of the world's largest information empire locked horns. The two men debated the political problems faced by society, and the technological solutions engendered by the global network - from the Arab Spring to Bitcoin.

They outlined radically opposing perspectives: for Assange, the liberating power of the Internet is based on its freedom and statelessness. For Schmidt, emancipation is at one with U.S. foreign policy objectives and is driven by connecting non-Western countries to Western companies and markets. These differences embodied a tug-of-war over the Internet's future that has only gathered force subsequently.

In this extract from [When Google Met WikiLeaks](#) Assange describes his encounter with Schmidt and how he came to conclude that it was far from an innocent exchange of views.

Eric Schmidt is an influential figure, even among the parade of powerful characters with whom I have had to cross paths since I founded WikiLeaks. In mid-May 2011 I was under house arrest in rural Norfolk, England, about three hours' drive

northeast of London. The crackdown against our work was in full swing and every wasted moment seemed like an eternity. It was hard to get my attention.

But when my colleague Joseph Farrell told me the executive chairman of Google wanted to make an appointment with me, I was listening.

In some ways the higher echelons of Google seemed more distant and obscure to me than the halls of Washington. We had been locking horns with senior U.S. officials for years by that point. The mystique had worn off. But the power centers growing up in Silicon Valley were still opaque and I was suddenly conscious of an opportunity to understand and influence what was becoming the most influential company on earth. Schmidt had taken over as CEO of Google in 2001 and built it into an empire.

I was intrigued that the mountain would come to Muhammad. But it was not until well after Schmidt and his companions had been and gone that I came to understand who had really visited me.

The stated reason for the visit was a book. Schmidt was penning a treatise with Jared Cohen, the director of Google Ideas, an outfit that describes itself as Google's in-house "think/do tank."

I knew little else about Cohen at the time. In fact, Cohen had moved to Google from the U.S. State Department in 2010. He had been a fast-talking "Generation Y" ideas man at State under two U.S. administrations, a courtier from the world of policy think tanks and institutes, poached in his early twenties.



Jarod Cohen

He became a senior advisor for Secretaries of State Rice and Clinton. At State, on the Policy Planning Staff, Cohen was soon christened "Condi's party-starter," channeling buzzwords from Silicon Valley into U.S. policy circles and producing delightful rhetorical concoctions such as "Public Diplomacy 2.0."

On his Council on Foreign Relations [adjunct staff page](#) he listed his expertise as "terrorism; radicalization; impact of connection technologies on 21st century statecraft; Iran."

It was Cohen who, while he was still at the Department of State, was said to have emailed Twitter CEO Jack Dorsey to delay scheduled maintenance in order to assist the aborted 2009 uprising in Iran. His documented love affair with Google began the same year when he befriended Eric Schmidt as they together surveyed the post-occupation wreckage of Baghdad.

Just months later, Schmidt re-created Cohen's natural habitat within Google itself by engineering a "think/do tank" based in New York and appointing Cohen as its head. Google Ideas was born.

Later that year two [co-wrote a policy piece](#) for the Council on Foreign Relations' journal Foreign Affairs, praising the reformative potential of Silicon Valley technologies as an instrument of U.S. foreign policy. Describing what they called "coalitions of the connected," Schmidt and Cohen claimed that:

"Democratic states that have built coalitions of their militaries have the capacity to do the same with their connection technologies...."

They offer a new way to exercise the duty to protect citizens around the world [emphasis added]."

Schmidt and Cohen said they wanted to interview me. I agreed. A date was set for June.

By the time June came around there was already a lot to talk about. That summer WikiLeaks was still grinding through the release of U.S. diplomatic cables, publishing thousands of them every week. When, seven months earlier, we had first started releasing the cables, Hillary Clinton [had denounced the publication](#) as "an attack on the international community" that would "tear at the fabric" of government.

It was into this ferment that Google projected itself that June, touching down at a London airport and making the long drive up into East Anglia to Norfolk and Beccles.

Schmidt arrived first, accompanied by his then partner, Lisa Shields. When he introduced her as a vice president of the Council on Foreign Relations - a U.S. foreign-policy think tank with close ties to the State Department - I thought little more of it. Shields herself was straight out of Camelot, having been spotted by John Kennedy Jr.'s side back in the early 1990s.

They sat with me and we exchanged pleasantries. They said they had forgotten their Dictaphone, so we used mine. We made an agreement that I would forward them the recording and in exchange they would forward me the transcript, to be corrected for accuracy and clarity.

We began. Schmidt plunged in at the deep end, straightaway quizzing me on the organizational and technological underpinnings of WikiLeaks.

Some time later Jared Cohen arrived. With him was Scott Malcomson, introduced as the book's editor. Three months after the meeting Malcomson would enter the State Department as the lead speechwriter and principal advisor to Susan Rice (then U.S. ambassador to the United Nations, now national security advisor).

At this point, the delegation was one part Google, three parts U.S. foreign-policy establishment, but I was still none the wiser. Handshakes out of the way, we got down to business.

Schmidt was a good foil. A late-fiftysomething, squint-eyed behind owlish spectacles, managerially dressed - Schmidt's dour appearance concealed a machinelike analyticity. His questions often skipped to the heart of the matter, betraying a powerful nonverbal structural intelligence.

Read the full story at: [Newsweek](#)

Hundreds Of Smart Meters Simultaneously Explode

April 3 2015 | From: [TakeBackYourPower](#)

The utilities lied when they said “smart” or “AMI” meters would make the electricity grid “resilient” and “self-healing.” Nothing could be further from the truth, and this latest episode is more proof of the failure of “smart” meter programs everywhere.



On Monday, hundreds of “smart” meters simultaneously exploded in Stockton, California, when a truck ran into a utility pole. [Watch the video here](#)

CBS News reported that “neighbors in the South Stockton area described it as a large pop, a bomb going off, and strong enough to shake a house.”

The catastrophic failure of these PG&E “smart” meters — which are **not approved by Underwriters Laboratories (UL)** — not only damaged meter bases and other homeowner property, but left those 5,800 customers without power.

That's right — whenever these plastic, unproven meters fail, they **shut your power off**, as shown in this Cambridge University [research paper](#).

Crazy! Hundreds of Smart Meters Explode In Stockton After Power ...



Last July, the province of Saskatchewan [ordered the removal](#) of all 105,000 “smart” meters, following a rash of fires. [Portland OR](#), [Lakeland FL](#), [Arizona](#) and [Ontario](#) followed suit with mass removals.

Quebec firefighters are up-in-arms that Hydro-Quebec agents have actually been [unlawfully taking “smart” meters from fire scenes](#) prior to investigation.

Analog meters are not susceptible to fires. The risk of fires is a “smart” new feature for all customers, brought to you by your PR-spinning utility. Back in 2011, after a similar power surge [ignited 80 “smart” meters](#) in Palo Alto, California, a spokesperson for The Utility Reform Network (TURN) stated:

*“In the collective memory of TURN, **we have not seen similar incidents with analog meters.**”*

The total number of separate incidents of [fires and explosions](#) caused by “smart” meters is now very likely to exceed a thousand or more, although the true number is not known due do widespread coverups and denials by utilities.

In addition to the ongoing stream of incendiary events, so-named “smart” meter programs:

- ▶ Are enshrouded in [fiscal negligence](#);
- ▶ Are [not shown to save energy](#);
- ▶ Are linked with systemic [billing inaccuracy](#) and widespread [increase of bills](#);
- ▶ Facilitate [“time-of-use” billing](#) and future [artificial austerity measures](#);
- ▶ Facilitate [monitoring of your activities](#) and external control of your home;
- ▶ Open the door to [unprecedented hacking vulnerabilities](#); and
- ▶ Emit [pulsed microwave radiation](#) typically thousands of times stronger than a cell phone, leaving many unsuspecting homeowners feeling ill.

It is difficult to imagine a more blatant failure, or a more harmful deployment of unproven technology.

If this is true, how can utilities be getting away with it?

The “smart” meter deployments in your area are actually part of a corporate-government collusion to deploy a mass in-home data-capturing (read *surveillance*) and control grid — the “internet of things”.

Here are three main takeaway points:

- ▶ 1. As new appliances are being designed to collect detailed activity and [report in real-time](#) through the “smart” meter, it’s estimated that the combined data they collect on all of us will be [worth more than the entire electricity industry](#).
- ▶ 2. Industry wants to pocket trillions in this shift to an *information economy*, with **you** as the resource being packaged and sold — without your consent, of course.
- ▶ 3. With industry selling the wireless convenience and glorious modernization of it all, these deployments are being pushed through **under the guise of *climate action***. Go Green!

If this sounds like a stretch, **examine the evidence for yourself.**

The “smart” meter agenda, once fully spawned, would facilitate an unprecedented transfer of money, control, information and security from people to the corporate-government complex (CGC).

The reason why there has been so much industry and government propaganda around the “smart” meter issue is because the scope of this pillaging is, again, **unprecedented**. This is also why those attempting to change to a sane course of action from within the CGC have not yet been successful.

But as awareness spreads, scandals increase ([like this one in California](#)), and people take inspired action, I see that the

"smart" meter agenda will fail and the pseudo-powers behind it will fail.

So, what are we going to do about it?

By protecting our individual rights, we are protecting all of life.

Advocate groups worldwide are encouraged to demand **immediate halt and reversal** of all "smart" meter deployments, whether they be for electricity, water, or gas. It does not matter how much money was invested before people became aware of the facts about harm being perpetrated. We're aware now.

An "**opt-out**" program — whether paid or free — **must categorically be rejected** because asking for an "opt-out" is voting that you generally approve the installation of a surveillance grid, the harming of everyone else, and the practice of corporate extortion.

Individually, here are three things you can do right now.

- ▶ 1. Once you become aware of the facts, **remove your consent in writing** ([see example](#)). This is simple, yet fundamental: your utility has made you an offer. You have the right to (and need to, contractually) either refuse or conditionally accept in writing, any written piece of paper they send your way. Note: everything they send you — indeed every communication they have with you — is essentially a *contract offer*, which in commerce is deemed accepted if it's not rebutted.
- ▶ 2. **Spread the word.** Share the facts and solutions, starting with those you know: family and friends, via email and social media. Get together and form a local action group. Subscribe your email via www.takebackyourpower.net and stay tuned to developments.
- ▶ 3. **Hold the individuals involved liable** for causing or allowing this widespread crime. While this is not legal advice, an effective strategy appears to be treating their offer of a "smart" meter purely as a commercial transaction. You can use the same commercial codes and contract laws on which the for-profit corporate system is based, *against* its agents. Also, here are couple areas of law which are applicable and being used by some groups:

ultrahazardous activity:

*"An activity or process that presents an **unavoidable risk of serious harm** to the other **people** or others' **property**, for which the actor may be held **strictly liable** for the harm, even if the actor has exercised reasonable care to prevent that harm."* -https://www.law.cornell.edu/wex/ultrahazardous_activity

strict liability:

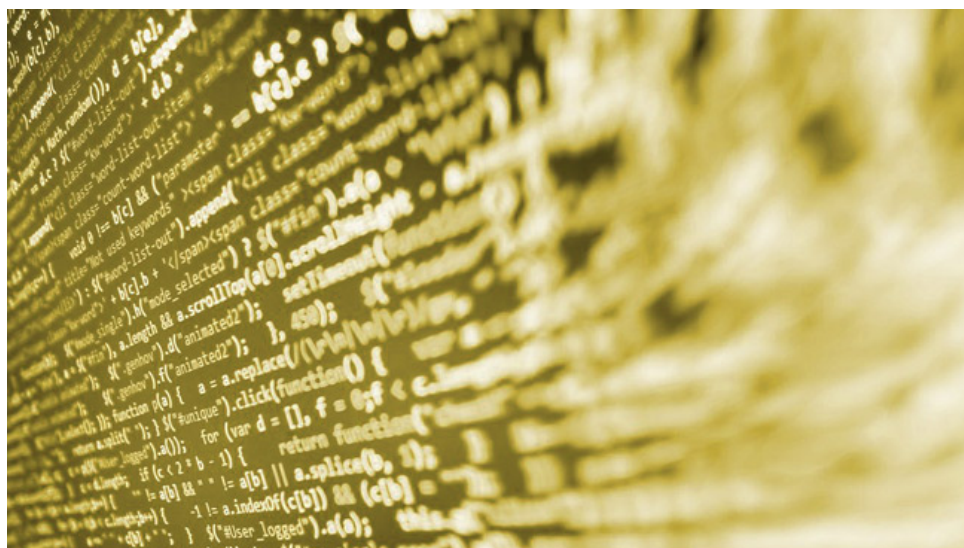
1. **Civil (tort):** Liability incurred for **causing damage to life, limb, or property** by a hazardous activity or a **defective product**, without having to prove that the defendant was negligent or directly at fault. It arises not from any wrongdoing but from the fact of the **activity or product** being **inherently hazardous or defective**.
2. **Criminal:** Liability imposed by a statute **without the necessity of proving criminal intent** (see *mens rea*), and intended to absolutely forbid certain acts such as preparation and sale of adulterated or contaminated food. - <http://www.businessdictionary.com/definition/strict-liability.html>

We will continue to release news and developments on our website, www.takebackyourpower.net, where you can watch our award-winning feature film which covers the shocking true story about "smart" meters.

Intelligence Services Block Activists' Emails And Frame Them With Fake Emails

March 28 2015 | From: [Zerohedge](#)

You send an email to a reporter saying that you've got proof of criminal wrongdoing by a government official ... or a big bank. You never receive a response.



Or you send an email to an expert on monetary policy asking if the Federal Reserve's policies help the rich at the expense of the little guy ... or an expert on radiation asking if the Fukushima accident might endanger public health. You never receive a response.

This might be for any number of perfectly innocent reasons, including:

- ▷ Your email ended up in their spam folder
- ▷ They're busy
- ▷ They're not interested enough to write back
- ▷ They think you're a bore or a crank

But there could be another explanation ...

By way of background, China has [blocked gmail](#) for its citizens.

Yahoo [blocked emails](#) relating to the Occupy protests.

Bahrain uses British software that allows the government to [frame political activists](#) by *creating* messages from that person that they never typed. [35 other countries](#) use the same software.

Tunisia monitored and blocked the emails of activists, so they were never delivered. [For example](#):

"There is also technical surveillance whereby downloading or adding attachment to an email must go through a central server.

Under the pretext of protecting public order and national security, a 1998 post and telecommunications law enables the authorities to intercept and check the content of email messages and in fact electronic surveillance such as filtering of email messages of government opponents have been reported.

Global Voices Advocacy Director and Tunisia Activist Sami Ben Gharbia conducted a test from the Netherlands with two Tunisia-based activists and confirmed by logging to their email accounts from the Netherlands that what he sees is not what they receive when they login from Tunisia, and that they cannot access some of the messages they receive."

The Tunisian government used software from Western companies to block emails of political dissidents.

A prominent American political writer said that – if Tunisia is doing it – you can bet that Western countries are, as well.

Indeed, Snowden [revealed](#) that the British spy agency GCHQ has developed numerous offensive digital tools, including:

Ability to deny functionality to send/receive email or view material online.

Ability to spoof any email address and send email under that identity.

Mass delivery of email messaging to support an Information Operations campaign.

The potential for stifling dissent is [staggering](#).

Police Given Personal Information Without Search Warrants

March 27 2015 | From: [NewZealandHerald](#)

Officers obtaining personal data from range of organisations by citing clauses in legislation.



Broad swathes of people's personal data are being sought regularly by police from airlines, banks, electricity companies, internet providers and phone companies without search warrants by officers citing clauses in the Privacy Act.

Senior lawyers and the Privacy Commissioner have told the *Herald* of concerns over the practice which sees the companies voluntarily give the information to police.

Instead of seeking a legal order, police have asked companies to hand over the information to assist with the "maintenance of the law", **threatened them with prosecution if they tell the person about whom they are interested** and accept data with no record keeping to show how often requests are made.

The request from police carries no legal force at all yet is regularly complied with.

Production orders and search warrants, by contrast, carry a legal compulsion after being approved by a judge or senior court official.

The practice has emerged in recent cases cited by a number of lawyers and has seen a district court judge question the legal right of police to access a defendant's electricity records without a legal order because of the "increasingly intrusive nature of the information gathered by power companies".

Privacy Commissioner John Edwards said he was undertaking research to see if his office should become a central register recording the number of such requests. He said he intended to lead discussion with holders of information over how they could publicly declare the number of requests received.

"I have been concerned for some time there is not full transparency and accounting over the various means (those holding information) agencies are engaging with law enforcement agencies."

He said a range of law enforcement bodies were citing clauses in the Privacy Act to get people's personal details. Clauses in Principle 11 of the act allowed personal information to be provided if it was for "the maintenance of the law", "protection of the public revenue", to "prevent or lessen a serious threat" to individuals and similar clauses.

But the broad intent of Principle 11 was to protect information, he said:

"It is not a power to obtain information for the police."

Mr Edwards said the ability to access information quickly was understandable when time was a critical factor.

He said there was value in a public declaration by companies and others supplying information to police under the clauses.

"It may well impose a greater discipline."

It would mean people could *"see how their information is flowing between different types of entities"*.

Police assistant commissioner Malcolm Burgess said "there are controls around how information is both requested and provided".

But he said there was no information held by police to show how often information was requested in this way because:

"there is currently no business requirement to do so".

"While the Privacy Act provisions can be used to access low level information, such as basic account details, higher level data must be obtained through a production order."

Jonathan Eaton QC provided to the Herald with an excerpt from a recent district court case in which the judge questioned whether a company surrendering a customer's electricity information without a legal order was "authorised".

The judge said:

"Indeed, giving the increasingly intrusive nature of the information gathered by power companies, one must question whether this is material which out to be handed over without the authority of a production order."

Mr Eaton said the issue had yet to be properly tested in court and prosecutors were in danger of having evidence tossed out if it was judged to have been obtained by improper process.

He said there was also a burden of transparency on companies which held personal information.

"There's a very reasonable argument they have an obligation to inform their customers."

Criminal Bar Association president Tony Bouchier said he had a client whose phone and bank records had been provided to police with "absolutely no record whatsoever that any warrants had been issued".

He said those providing information to police had an "obligation" to tell their customers they had done so.

Barrister Chris Wilkinson-Smith said a client's personal information had been provided by an airline to police under a Principle 11 clause, showing booking details, immediate and future travel plans and personal information used to make the booking.

The information was revealed by the airline - which he did not name - after police said it would help with "maintenance of the law". In this case, the person was the target of police inquiries into drug distribution.

He said he had also had cases where TradeMe provided information without any sign of legal orders. He said police often sought search warrants to obtain information, which meant there was independent oversight.

"The danger for police is, if they don't go through the search warrant process, there could be the criticism they have taken a short cut."

Under the law the obligation to guard customers information lies with the company that holds it.

Vodafone and Air NZ were approached for information about the way they handled warrantless requests by police under the Privacy Act. Both companies said they acted in according to the law but refused further information.

A spokesman for Vodafone said questions about how often it provided information to police should be directed to police.

"Where disclosure is made in response to authorities' lawful demands, our responsibility to respect our customers' right to privacy is being balanced against wider public interest considerations."

The company's "transparency report" is silent on providing information under the Privacy Act clauses even though it details search warrants and their invasive powers available to New Zealand's intelligence agencies.

In contrast, Spark detailed the process and type of information it made available. A spokesman said concerns about the safety of people would result in call or text metadata for the last week, IP address traces, location data of where calls were made and the name and address of the account holder.

For "maintenance of the law" requests, it would tell police if the numbers were active in the last seven days and trace listed numbers to the account holder.

A spokesman said it did not keep data on the number of requests made or complied with.

TradeMe was the sole holder of information identified by the *Herald* to publicly declare the number of Principle 11 clause requests it received.

Police made warrantless requests for information on 1663 occasions ending June 2014 while other government agencies made 641 requests.

You Can Defeat Mass Surveillance: Here's How (Pictorial Guide)

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Ft. Meade, MD (TFC) – Back in June 2014 I wrote an article; [Don't Ask for your Privacy. Take it back](#) for the [Reset the Net](#) campaign.



[“The hope of this campaign is to emerge in a post June 5th world with a more secure standard of communications.”](#)

The only reason why mass surveillance works is because most of our communications are being sent in plain text, as easily read as you are reading this very article. Whether this is done willingly by the service provider or maliciously by the Government using devices and exploits without their knowledge, Encryption will keep (some of) your rights in tact, for now.

While I do admit there is a modest barrier to entry into the realm of secure communications, there is a number of 'Out of the Box' solutions emerging to attempt to reduce this barrier. I will detail these still in development solutions in the footer, and cover some of the more established solutions that require a small amount of setup next. (With a pictorial guide)

- ▶ Secure instant messaging: [Pidgin](#) (w [OTR plugin](#), Mobile users Get [ChatSecure for Android](#) or [ChatSecure for iOS](#).)
- ▶ Hide your IP (with exceptions!): [Tor](#) (Mobile users Get [Orbot for Android](#).)
- ▶ Encrypted GSM/SMS: [TextSecure](#) & [RedPhone](#) (Android only, iOS users get [Signal 2.0](#))

On the complaints about Tor, Let me detail a few of the weakness that exist in Tor so that you may be able to understand its strengths. Tor was initially developed and funded by the US Government to give itself plausible deniability for its own illegal and malicious actions against businesses and countries worldwide.

If only the US Government used Tor it wouldnt be very Anonymous, So it has to be a free for all to provide anonymity. That said, The Government doesnt like supporting malicious actors other than itself. So, Darknet sites (The .onion network) were attacked. The reason this attack worked is for two reasons.

One, Using Tor in a browser provides a wide attack vector via the Flash and JavaScript scripting engines. A script in Flash or JavaScript can report back the IP Address in the context of that code, before it passes over Tor. This is because the code is running locally in your browser and not on the server which does not know your IP address.



Two, If every Tor node you are using is in fact owned by the US Government, a top-down view of all US Government nodes can in theory reveal your IP as an educated guess, but it is not conclusive. Using Tor outside of a browser and not on the Darknet/.onion network will defeat this attack. Me personally, when I use Tor.

I exclude all nodes that reside in a FVEY (Five Eyes) Member country. That is US, CA, AU, UK and NZ. I use an open source project called [AdvTor](#) to do this.

[Pidgin](#) is a messaging client that supports numerous protocols. The one I will focus on is XMPP, previously known as Jabber. The XMPP server I use is creep.im, You can add me using veritas@creep.im. Here is a list of [many XMPP servers](#).

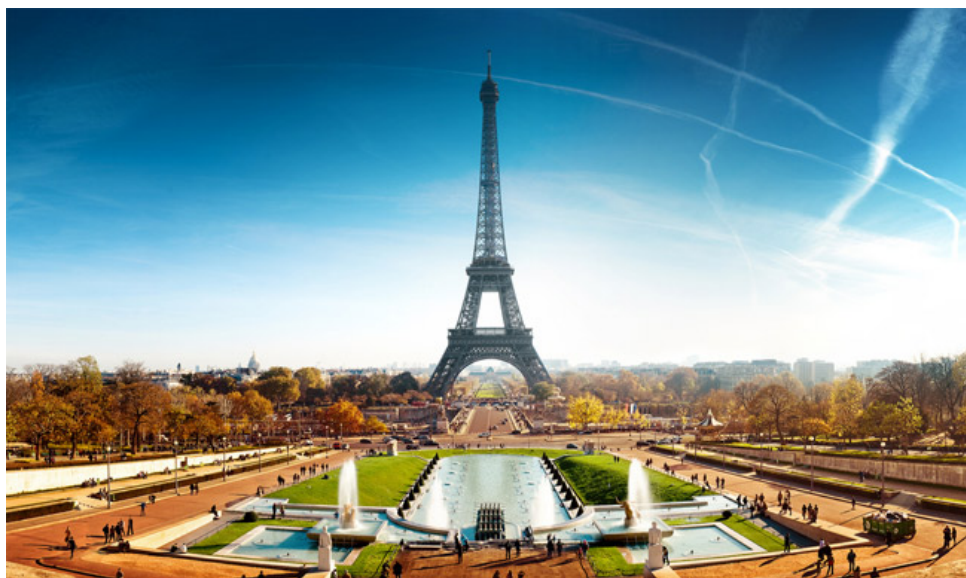
There is no reason Pidgin shouldn't be the MSN or ICQ of this decade. Most people have resigned to using Facebook for their messaging needs, But this is a horribly insecure centralized target for ... pretty much everyone. XMPP allows you to use any number of servers in any number of countries to route your conversations thru, all with full encryption.

Read the full story at: [TheFifthColumnNews](#)

France Moves To Make 'Conspiracy Theories' Illegal By Government Decree

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The apparent "Political elites" and super-bureaucrats are worried. It's becoming harder to control consensus reality.



A history stitched together by lies and cover-ups, political assassinations, slight-of-hand false flag deceptions, secret societies, dual loyalties and stolen fortunes – this has been the exclusive privilege of organized crime and the ruling elite for centuries.

Putting aside history's 'big ticket' items though, the real reason for this authoritarian trend is much more fundamental. By knocking out their intellectual competition, political elites and their media moguls hope to minimize, and thus eliminate any alternative analysis and opinion by applying the completely open-ended and arbitrary label of "extremist" to speech.

They want to wind back the clock, where a pre-internet, monolithic corporate media cartel held a monopoly on ideas.

SEE ALSO: [JE SUIS HYPOCRITE: Enemies of Press Freedom Hijack 'Charlie' in Paris](#)

Although France has taken the lead in this inter-governmental effort (see below), the preliminary assault began this past fall with British Prime Minister **David Cameron** publicly announcing on two separate occasions, that all of these so-called 'conspiracy theories' (anything which challenges the official orthodoxy) should be deemed as "extremist" and equivalent to "terrorist" and should be purged from society on the grounds of 'national security'.

The first came with [Cameron's warped speech at the UN](#), and afterwards, a similar charge was made by the UK leader [against anyone who dares press the issue of institutional paedophilia](#) and child abuse.

Watch this UN speech by Cameron where he clearly claims that 'conspiracy theorists' are the 'root cause' and indeed, an equal threat to national security as ISIS terrorists currently running amok in Syria and Iraq (start 4:26)...



As yet, few are aware of how in the wake of the [Charlie Hebdo shootings](#), French Prime Minister, **Francois Hollande** delivered an official declaration (see full report and text from his speech below).

However, Hollande takes it beyond the usual hyperbole and focuses on giving the state an administrative and legal foothold for policing both speech and thought crimes in France. *If this is can be accomplished in France, then a European [and beyond] roll-out would soon follow.*

Ironically, in order to achieve this fascist leap forward, Hollande has equated "conspiracy theories" to Nazism, and is calling for government regulations to prevent any sharing or publishing of any views deemed as 'dangerous thought' by the state.

Specifically, Hollande is citing "Anti-Semitism" and also anything which could *inspire* 'acts terrorism' – as the chief vehicles for what the state will be designating as 'dangerous thoughts'. With the thumb of Hebdo still pressing down, this may just sound like politics *writ large* by the French leader, but in reality it's full-blown *fascism*.



Worse yet, with all of the [world leaders gathered together in Paris in January](#) supposedly marching solidarity for 'free speech' and proudly chanting "Je Suis Charlie" (image above), that Hollande would use this as political cover to *restrict* free speech in Europe should shock even.

[RINF](#) reports how the new censorship regime has already been implemented this week:

“Earlier this week, the Interior Minister of France — with no court review or adversarial process — [ordered five websites](#) to not only be blocked in France, but that anyone who visits any of the sites get redirected to a scary looking government website, saying:

***You are being redirected to this official website
since your computer was about to connect with a
page that provokes terrorist acts or condones
terrorism publicly.***

While it could be argued that the four websites initially listed by the government for ‘blocking’ were exclusively for ISIS/ISIL-related activity and thus, should be kept hidden, **the government has made no caveat** in its reams of policy literature, other than some vague language as to what it defines as ‘extremist’, as to where this growing list will stop, or indeed, if it has any limits at all.

Because this process is extrajudicial, then there will be no warning to gov’t targets of this new regime. In fact, as [RINF](#) reports, this has already happened:

“In that first batch was a site called “[islamic-news.info](#).” The owner of that site not only notes that he was never first contacted to “remove” whatever material was deemed terrorist supporting (as required by the law), but that nothing in what he had posted was supporting terrorism.”

Will French gov’t censors also block this website – because it is *challenging* the government’s new public filtering program?

Are we entering a new intolerant, Chinese-style policing culture in Europe, and throughout the west? Certainly they have the ability and the legal clearance to do just that right now.

Fear of losing control over manipulative narratives has always been a primary obsession with those in power, and clearly, based on what we’ve seen here – governments are making an aggressive move on free speech now. Skeptics will no doubt argue that this 21WIRE article itself constitutes a *conspiracy theory*.

If that was the case, then why have western governments, particularly those in the US and Britain, already spent millions, if not billions in state funds in order to [infiltrate, disrupt, and occupy forum websites, and social networking groups of so-called ‘conspiracy theorist’](#) and even creating entirely new groups just to contradict them?

Does that not already prove what the government *modus operandi* is?

As if that wasn’t enough already, now France wants to take it to a whole new authoritarian level. It may sound ridiculous, but this is exactly what is taking place in government as we speak.

History shows that once this new regime is in place, they will not relinquish any new powers of censorship, and so a long, intellectual dark age is certain to follow...



(Translation by [Roger Lagassé](#))

Thierry Meyssan [Voltaire Network](#)

At the request of President **François Hollande**, the French Socialist Party has published a note on the international **"conspiracy theorist"** movement. His goal: to prepare new legislation prohibiting it to express itself.

In the US, the September 11, 2001 coup established a **"permanent state of emergency"** (*Patriot Act*), launching a series of imperial wars.

Gradually, the European elites have aligned with their counterparts across the Atlantic. Everywhere, people are worried about being abandoned by their States and they question their institutions. Seeking to retain power, the elites are now ready to use force to gag their opposition.

The President of the French Republic, François Hollande, has assimilated what he calls "conspiracy theories" to Nazism and called to prevent their dissemination on the Internet and social networks.

Thus he declared, on January 27, 2015 at the Shoah Memorial:

"[Anti-Semitism] maintains conspiracy theories that spread without limits. Conspiracy theories that have, in the past, led to the worst (...) [The] answer is to realize that conspiracy theories are disseminated through the Internet and social networks.

Moreover, we must remember that it is words that have in the past prepared extermination. We need to act at the European level, and even internationally, so that a legal framework can be defined, and so that Internet platforms that manage social networks are held to account and that sanctions be imposed for failure to enforce" [1].

Several ministers also decried what they called conspiracy theorists as so many **"fermenters of hate and disintegrators of society."**

Knowing that President Hollande calls **"conspiracy theory"** the idea that States, whatever their regimes – including democracies – have a spontaneous tendency to act in their own interests and not in that of their constituents, we can conclude that he presented this confused amalgam to justify a possible censure of his opponents.

This interpretation is confirmed by the publication of a note entitled **"Conspiracy theories, current status"** by the Jean-Jaurès Foundation, a Socialist Party think tank of which Mr. Holland was the first secretary. [2]

Let's leave aside the political relations of François Hollande, the Socialist Party, the Fondation Jean-Jaurès, its political radicalism Observatory and the author of the note and let's focus on its message and its ideological content.

Definition of "conspiracy theories"

The terms **"conspiracy theories"** and **"conspiracy theorism"** have developed in France in the wake of the publication of my book on US imperialism post-September 11, titled *The Big Lie* [3].

At the time, we had trouble understanding what the terms meant because they referred to American political history. In the United States, are commonly called **"conspiracy theorists"** those according to whom President Kennedy had not been assassinated by one man but by many, forming a conspiracy (in the judicial sense).

Over time, these expressions entered in the French language and have overlapped with memories of the 30s and the Second World War, those of the denunciation of the **"Jewish conspiracy"**. These are therefore now polysemous, sometimes evoking the law of the state-State silence and, at other times, European anti-Semitism.

In its note, the **Jean-Jaurès Foundation** gives its own definition of conspiracy theorism. It is...

"an 'alternative' narrative that claims to significantly upset the knowledge we have of an event and therefore competes with the "version" which is commonly accepted, stigmatized as "official" (p. 2).

Observe that this definition does not apply solely to the delusions of the mentally ill. Thus, Socrates, through the myth of the cave, affirmed his challenge to the certainties of his time; Galileo with his heliocentric theory challenged the prevailing interpretation of the *Bible* of his time; etc.

For my part, and since they see me as the **"pope of conspiracy theorists"** or rather the **"heretic"** in the words of Italian philosopher Roberto Quaglia, I reaffirm my radical political commitment, in keeping with the French republican radicalism of Leon Bourgeois [4], of Georges Clemenceau, [5] of Alain [6] and of Jean Moulin. [7]

For me, as for them, the state is a *Leviathan* which by nature abuses those it governs. As a radical Republican, I am aware that the state is the enemy of the common good, of the *Res Publica*; which is why I wish not to abrogate it, but to tame it. The republican ideal is compatible with various political regimes-including monarchies, as was enacted by the authors of the *Declaration of 1789*.

This opposition, which the current Socialist Party disputes, has so shaped our history as Philippe Pétain repealed the Republic to proclaim the **"French State"**. Immediately after his assuming presidential office, I denounced Hollande's Petainism [8]. Today, Mr. Hollande claims to be of the Republic to better fight it and this inversion of values plunges the country into confusion.

Who are the "conspiracy theorists"?

The **"conspiracy theorists"** are thus citizens who oppose the omnipotence of the State and who wish to place it under surveillance.

The Jean-Jaurès Foundation describes them as follows:

"[It's] a heterogeneous movement, heavily entangled with the Holocaust denial movement, and which combines admirers of Hugo Chavez and fans of Vladimir Putin.

An underworld that consist of former left-wing activists or extreme leftists, former "malcontents", sovereignists, revolutionary nationalists, ultra-nationalists, nostalgists of the Third Reich, anti-vaccination activists, supporters of

drawing straws, September 11th revisionists, anti-Zionists, Afrocentricists, survivalists, followers of "alternative medicine", agents of influence of the Iranian regime, Bacharists, Catholic or Islamic fundamentalists" (p. 8).

One will note the amalgams and abuse of this description aiming to discredit those it designates.

Myths of the "conspiracy theorists"

The Jean-Jaurès Foundation continues its vilification by accusing "conspiracy theorists" of ignoring the realities of the world and naively believing hackneyed myths.

Thus, they would believe in the "World Zionist plot", the "illuminati conspiracy" and the "Rothschild myth" (p. 4).

And to credit these three statements, it cites an example solely on the "Rothschild myth": blogger Etienne Chouard – whose work is not simply about the Republic, but goes beyond to treat Democracy [9] – says the Pompidou-Rothschild 1973 law is the source of the debt of France.

And the Foundation goes on to refute this assertion by quoting an article published by *Libération*...

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NZ Politics Daily: Can We Trust The Police?

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The integrity and competence of the New Zealand Police is under intense scrutiny, following the release of the highly critical watchdog report on the police investigation into the Roastbusters scandal.



The report raises questions, yet again, of how much faith the public can put in the Police. So far the reactions in the political sphere suggest we shouldn't place too much confidence in the law enforcement agencies, and that significant reform is required.

For some of the more interesting and assertive examples of this, see my blog post [Top tweets about the IPCA Roastbusters report](#).

Police Incompetence

The IPCA's report is described today by the Dominion Post newspaper as "A portrait of carelessness and incompetence" – see the editorial, [Police failed vulnerable young women](#). The newspaper says the police incompetence described in the report is "shocking" and "mystifying, especially as most cases were investigated by specialist detectives."

For details of the findings you can download the actual [Report on Police's handling of the alleged offending by 'Roastbusters'](#), or read excellent summary articles such as Teuila Fuatai's [Roast Busters report reveals errors](#).

The most surprising example of incompetence highlighted by the report was the apparent police misunderstanding of the law, which is discussed best in Danyl McLauchlan's blog post, [Two excerpts from the IPCA report into the Roastbusters Critiques the "police logic"](#). He says:

"Here's what's amazing. The officers making these decisions were detectives in the Child Protection Unit. They're a special team trained to 'exclusively focus' on child abuse and they either did not understand the law around the age of consent or deliberately misinterpreted it."

To explain other elements of police incompetence, Barry Soper uses an analogy:

"it was a bit like burglaries being committed in the same neighbourhood, with the burglar leaving his calling card at

each one of them and the police failing to join the dots, reaching the obvious conclusion that the same person was responsible for lifting the loot"

– see: [Operation Clover needs a fourth leaf](#).

See also, Murielle Baker's Radio New Zealand item, [IPCA report provokes strong response](#), which includes the observation of lawyer Catriona MacLennan, that the police:

"seem to almost think that a complaint and evidence from a victim are required for a prosecution. But that's obviously not the case, or no one would ever be prosecuted for homicide. I think they need to evaluate more carefully where evidence for prosecution could come from."

For these and other reasons, the report is "horrifying" says Toby Manhire in his column [Police reform pledges exposed in report](#).

Police Lack of Accountability

Police unwillingness to accept and demonstrate full culpability is highlighted in today's Otago Daily Times editorial, [A damning indictment](#), saying that:

"The authority's findings are damning and will inevitably open up questions of accountability once again, as well as the adequacy of police procedures and communication with agencies, notably Child, Youth and Family".

The editorial says that Police failure to communicate with the young men involved, and their families, is perhaps the "most chilling" revelation in the report.

Bloggers are condemning this lack of accountability in stronger terms. Blogger No Right Turn says that:

"Two of the officers - Officers C and E - appear to have been absolutely crap at their jobs, and are specifically identified as failing to meet the police's investigative standards."

Police PR is absolutely silent on what has been done about these officers, and in particular, whether they have been sacked - there's not even the usual bullshit about more training"

– see: [The RoastBusters report](#).

Similarly, Danyl Mclauchlan complains that:

"Police can blandly say they accept criticisms and recommendations and apologise to victims, etc, but if they don't sack incompetent officers specifically identified as being the cause of this debacle then none of it means anything".

An Isolated Problem, or Systemic?

Much of the political debate has been on the question of whether the major problems found in the report constitute an isolated one-off problem, or a wider systemic issue for the force. Police Minister Michael Woodhouse has said he believes it's a case of individual actions rather than wider problems – see the Herald report, [IPCA: Police 'let down' Roast Busters' alleged victims](#).

Rape Prevention Education director Dr Kim McGregor says she "had spoken to top police officers about the issue", and that:

"They know that they have pockets in areas where maybe there's an old-school attitude... Some of the heads within certain districts have misogynistic views towards women"

– see Murielle Baker's [IPCA report provokes strong response](#).

McGregor is quoted elsewhere saying that the problem "sounds like a systemic failure".

She points the finger at the police bosses:

"I think we need to look higher, look at who was managing that team and why they were not able to liaise the way they should have".

"We just need the police to step up and sort out those pockets of poor practice, sort out any managers, leaders who have misogynistic views, who don't take reports of sexual violence seriously, and that culture needs to come from the top"

– see Newswire's [Greens: Roast Busters taskforce needed](#).

In the same article, Police Association president Greg O'Connor points the finger instead at a lack of resources, saying **"police's workload was 'impossible', meaning systemic failures were inevitable"**.

There's support for O'Connor's position in Rachel Smalley's column, [Roast Busters case handling a shambles](#). She says that **"a lack of resourcing mean police have a huge workload, and systemic failures are therefore inevitable"**.

Blogger No Right Turn also asks about the scale of the problem in the police:

"there's an obvious question: if the police were so crap at investigating these cases, are they also crap at others? How many other rapists are going free because police just can't be arsed doing their jobs properly?"

– see: [The RoastBusters report](#).

The IPCA's report does actually address this issue, saying that:

"the Authority has not found any evidence of ongoing and widespread poor practice nationally".

But, according to No Right Turn, this response is to be expected, because the IPCA:

"didn't look. Instead, they leant their mana (such as it is) to protect the reputation of a police force which has manifestly failed to do their job. Because at the end of the day, that's the IPCA's job.

Not to get to investigate, not to hold the police to account, but to protect them and the system they are part of. And as long as that is the case, things will never change".

Police Reform Demanded

There are increasing calls now for the Government to implement some significant reform of the Police. Much of this comes out of the observation that the institution of the Police appears incapable of reforming itself – an observation actually made by the IPCA itself, in saying that the authority is "disturbed" by the lack of progress by the police in implementing change demanded by previous inquiries.

Green Party co-leader Metiria Turei is therefore leading the charge for an independent taskforce to be established. Turei says:

"We have come to the unfortunate conclusion that the police are not capable of making the changes themselves, and they can't be trusted to take seriously the complaints of sexual violence victims in every case"

– see Chris Bramwell's [Greens want police culture 'rebuild'](#). Turei believes *"public trust in the police has been completely destroyed"*.

Others are expressing skepticism about the police apologies and promises to change. Barry Soper says:

"We've seen top cop Mike Bush offering mea culpas, saying they weren't up to their normal high standards and they were disappointed in themselves. How many times have we heard that before?"

– see: [Operation Clover needs a fourth leaf](#).

Again, No Right Turn comments:

"what's most disturbing is that these are all issues we've seen before, in the Police-rape cases. And despite a commission of inquiry recommending changes, and despite the police saying they have made them, nothing appears to have changed".

– see: [The RoastBusters report](#).

Making the most elaborate case for reform is Selwyn Manning, who argues that the IPCA report:

"findings demonstrate how the Police, as an institution, is unable to self-assess what ought to be done about this enduring culture of leniency toward sexual crimes and abuse."

– see his blog post, [NZ Police Must Be Exorcised of Culture of Sexual Offending Leniency](#).

Manning calls for:

"an authority outside the Police club be established and empowered to root out this culture once and for all".

He argues that this is necessary because;

"These conclusions paint a picture of an arrogant force resistant to outside commands".

Police issues are being strongly politicised, and more public and parliamentary debate can be expected. Yesterday Parliament went into an urgent debate on the issue, which included some interesting speeches and accounts from Jacinda Ardern and Catherine Delahunty – see Jo Moir's [MP recounts 'date-rape and assault' as young woman](#).

There will continue to be pressure on the Government, and especially on whether they are responding adequately to the release of the report. For example, the Herald's political reporter Adam Bennett (@AdDeville) has tweeted, *"Shouldn't Police*

Min Michael Woodhouse be speaking out more about #Roastbusters report?"

Similarly, drawing attention to the lack of media releases in response, satirist Lyndon Hood (@lyndonhood) has tweeted what, at first, looks like an incomplete sentence: *"The following is an exhaustive list of Government press releases on the IPCA report:"*

The petitions are also up and running – see Action Station's [Demand Justice for 'Roast Busters' Survivors](#).

Finally, for a fascinating insight into one person's experience of police culture and why it doesn't change, you can read former police inspector (and politician) Ross Meurant's controversial 2011 North and South magazine feature, [When the good guys are the bad guys](#).

In Today's Tyrannical "We Told You So" News: EU Calls For Tracking Computers In All Vehicles To Monitor, Regulate Travel

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The controlling surveillance state is deepening, prying further into people's lives like a chisel carving its way through skin and bone. Governments have become opportunistic control freaks, centralizing their micromanagement powers whenever possible.

[The dupes will say "Yes, but that it just happening in Europe" - but the astute now see that this is the very same "thin end of the wedge" scenario that has snuck into the world quite successfully on so many occasions because the dumbed down, sleeping masses were too stupid, pathetic and gutless to face reality beyond the distractions that have been purposely fed to them.]



[If you are incapable of comprehending this notion then you would be best to return to your favourite inane Master Cook / Idiotic Singing Pleb show thing - and never attempt to consider anything beyond such superficial excrement ever again.]

Please excuse the increased use of highlighting - but we are now in the most extreme of times; and some points simply are of too much importance - and the amount of material that needs to be exposed is increasing exponentially.

Now the European Union is rolling out plans to monitor travel on all European roads, tracking drivers' mileages and time traveled per vehicle. This controlling scheme is not for surveillance alone; it's essentially a plan to tax every driver for the for the distance they travel on European roads.

Could you imagine being taxed for every quarter-mile you drive?

A senior European politician is doing just that, calling on all European vehicles to be installed with road-pricing systems.

This would include mandatory installation of a computer that would track how long one has driven on European roads and how far. This plan would serve as a built-in tax, harmonizing all road toll charges across the EU. The plan would end road-side tolls and replace them with time-tracking and/or distance-tracking toll micromanagement systems.

EU Transport Commissioner says computer system should regulate distance traveled

One of the plan's advocates, Transport Commissioner Violeta Bulc, is also trying to make the computer system as efficient as possible. **She said that the EU travel regulations will put "a burden on car drivers" while becoming an "obstacle to their mobility."**

Bulc is advocating for a plan that **charges drivers per kilometer** and not by time.

Her plan also includes a way to limit the speed of cars to minimize fuel loss.

Bulc doesn't want to encourage speeding drivers by pressuring them for every minute they are operating their vehicle.

Instead, she thinks it's safer and more efficient to charge drivers by the mile.

It doesn't matter which way she looks at it, the plan to install computers in all vehicles is a gross violation of property and privacy, and another way centralized government can micromanage the people and their finances.

Bulc said;

"It doesn't matter where you come from - everyone will only pay for the distance they have actually driven and it will be billed on a device throughout [Europe](#). We're currently investigating just such an idea."

She continued:

"There are many options - a fee could be obligatory but it's also possible to make it optional i.e. that countries decide themselves whether and on which roads they want to levy a road use charge based on kilometres driven."

The built in pay-by-the-mile scheme was slammed by UKIP transport spokesman Jill Seymour MEP.

She said;

"It doesn't matter where you come from - everyone will only pay for the distance they have actually driven and it will be billed on a device throughout [Europe](#). We're currently investigating just such an idea."

She continued:

"There are many options -- a fee could be obligatory but it's also possible to make it optional i.e. that countries decide themselves whether and on which roads they want to levy a road use charge based on kilometres driven."

"[L]ook how the EU overrides the democratic decision of the British people: an unelected Slovenian bureaucrat in Brussels announces in a German newspaper interview that she wants to force all British drivers to fit computers in their cars which will count every mile they drive."

She pointed out:

"Britain will be forced into an EU-wide scheme in which Commissioner Bulc will force all drivers to pay for using our own roads, and the money will go straight to Brussels."

She continued her argument:

*"This would be outrageous on three counts. First, it would be the **imposition of a tax on tens of millions of UK citizens** without the consent or control of parliament.*

Second, the money raised would not go to HM Treasury but to the bureaucrats in Brussels who would then undemocratically decide how the money would be spent on their own EU road schemes.

*Third, the idea that **every British car would be fitted with a high-tech computer tracking every trip a driver makes** is an invasion of privacy which we cannot tolerate."*

[And her final point is exactly why 'we the people' need to stand up and oppose these incremental, tyrannical "Legislative" additions / adjustments / advancements.

It is so obvious that we are, and have been continuously, over time been "Legislated" into a box of ever diminishing dimensions - where does it end and at what point will you realise that your freedom is the target of an extermination effort?]

Analysis: The Questions The Government Must Answer About The Snowden Revelations

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Wrong, says the Prime Minister of the surveillance stories. But John Key won't say why. Don't believe what you read in the newspaper, says the Foreign Minister of reports New Zealand was spying on the Solomon Islands government.



Can we tell the public what the British public now know to be true about their own security agencies? asks David Fisher?

However, there's no benefit in having discussions about it through the media, says Murray McCully.

And those doing the spying at the Government Communications Security Bureau won't assist, saying it doesn't comment on "operational" matters.

So, between the leaked top secret documents and the denials, how do we cut through to what's actually happening?

Broadly, the claim in relation to the GCSB is that it sucks up vast amounts of raw data from the Pacific which is then stored with the United States' National Security Agency.

The data taken from the Pacific can be searched using a computer system called XKeyscore which is operated from access points around the world including at Waihopi at the top of the South Island.

Is it true that there is bulk collection of people's data? And if so, is the information shared outside New Zealand?

The answer could be in the practices in some of the other countries with which we partner in the Five Eyes intelligence grouping of Australia, Canada, New Zealand, the United Kingdom and the United States.

The Five Eyes is a surveillance network with its roots in World War II, bound by a formal agreement called the UKUSA agreement.

For almost 70 years since then, it has seen the five countries cooperate on intelligence gathering and sharing.

There are many close similarities in the way the various bodies operate. The nations are close - we send staff to work with them and likewise, their intelligence staff work out of New Zealand.

To operate effectively as a network, we have to cooperate effectively. Part of doing this is similar laws, methods and systems.

So, when the UK's Intelligence and Security Committee released its report into its surveillance practices last Friday, there was much in there which matches the allegations made here and gives credence to claims about how New Zealand operates.

The UK inquiry, a historic event, followed the leaks from former NSA contractor Edward Snowden. It paid tribute to the close links between the intelligence agencies and those abroad, stating:

"The (security) Agencies have long-standing intelligence-sharing agreements with many international partners."

It heard from the Government Communications Headquarters - it's partner to our GCSB - that "SIGINT (signals intelligence) partners can receive intercepted material directly from each other".

The committee's report quoted GCHQ as saying "our default position is to make all our reported intelligence sharable with our [Five-Eyes] partners".

Reported intelligence is that which has been developed beyond the raw feeds it has available but the report also covered the sharing of "raw intercept", confirming that GCHQ did seek and receive such information from the NSA. It did so legally, and did so without a warrant because on the occasions it did seek the raw data there was already a warrant in force.

On the issue of "raw intercept", the British committee signalled further safeguards would likely be needed.

The committee also found that metadata - what it called "who, when, where" information - was also provided by overseas partners. This type of information included communications by email, land and mobile phones, social media communications and other contacts between two or more points. **In terms of value, this was considered greater than other means of interception.**

It would seem our partner agencies do both of the activities the GCSB is said to have done. That is, they provide information between intelligence organisations, both fully formed "by default" and in its raw form. There is also metadata provided between Five Eyes members.

There is sharing, but what then of the scale of the interceptions?

"Bulk collection" does occur, the British committee confirmed. It says while GCHQ has the capacity to intercept the communications of individuals, it has to find those people first.

GCHQ needs to be able to conduct bulk collection "so that they can generate leads and obtain the information they need to then target those individuals".

Using keywords for searching, the British GCHQ hunts across the internet stream searching for a match. Its report used the analogy of hunting for a needle in a haystack with a magnet. The results are categorised, reduced again by algorithms and search tools before producing a manageable list of material from which selections can be made to access actual communications.

Bulk interception operates across a small percentage of those networks making up the internet, the committee was told. Even though it collects "vast numbers of communications", the total accessed on a global scale was "a very small percentage". It chose which to access based on the greatest likelihood of positive results. Yes, the tool could be turned inwards and search for British citizens but GCHQ first needed authorisation from the UK Secretary of State.

That came with a complication, the committee found. The nature of the internet was such that communications involving British people - protected as Kiwis are protected in relation to the GCSB - were often through offshore web servers and companies.

Those communications would also be swept up. It questioned whether the British distinction of "internal" versus "external" communications was still valid in the internet age.

The committee found bulk interception necessary, citing - as other US inquiries have been unable to - security threats which would otherwise have been unknown.

But it also made "substantial recommendations for immediate improvements to the existing system of authorisation and oversight". It also called for increased transparency, greater oversight and more protections for British citizens.

It seems then, that our partner agencies do engage in "bulk collection", of the sort described by former GCSB director Sir Bruce Ferguson in his *Radio New Zealand* interview.

"You cannot these days just individually select people... you put out a big net, catch stuff, you throw out the stuff you don't want ... and you keep the stuff you do want," he said.

The British committee also revealed for the first time by the committee that GCHQ and its sister agencies had acquired "bulk personal datasets" of individuals - huge amounts of personal details about people which were subject to no oversight. The report is silent on whether the datasets, gathered from commercial and government organisations, are shared with Five Eyes partners.

On the type of collection, methods and scale, it is extremely likely we are walking in step with partners with which we have shared intelligence aims and material for almost 70 years.

For us to do other than the British do - and the Americans - would create a level of dysfunction across a collaborative network.

The British report- from a society and a committee not known for its openness - detailed the methods its agencies used and gave the reasons why. It examined the safeguards and, in many areas, found they were lacking.

It also acknowledged there was "a legitimate public expectation of openness and transparency in today's society". Intelligence agencies need secrecy, it said, but "the Government must make every effort to ensure that as much information as possible is placed in the public domain".

New Zealand soon has its own review of the intelligence agencies, scheduled to begin before the middle of the year.

What a challenge for New Zealand. We, the smallest Five Eyes partner, have membership of the network through our history as a former colony of the United Kingdom.

Can we produce an inquiry report at least as detailed as that released in the United Kingdom last Friday?

Can we tell the public what the British public now know to be true about their own security agencies?

And if not, why?

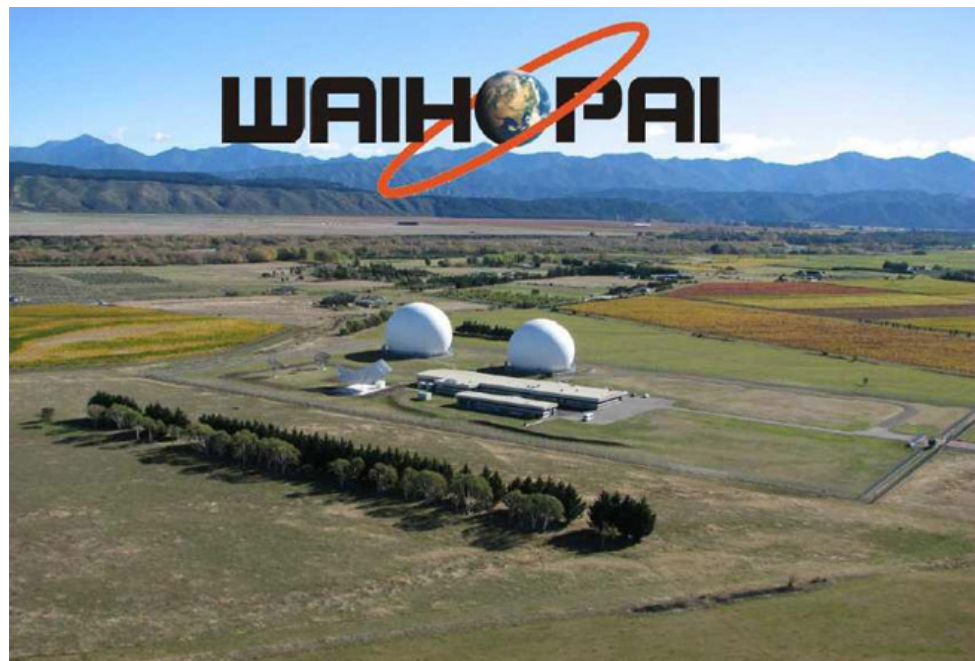
No Public Accountability For The GCSB, Prime Minister Goes Back On His Word + Documents Shine Light On Shadowy New Zealand Surveillance Base

March 14 2015 | From: [EveningReport](#) / [TheIntercept](#) / [NewZealandHerald](#) / [TelevisionNewZealand](#)

"You Shouldn't Worry If You've Got Nothing To Hide" is one of the mantras trotted out when New Zealanders complain about the GCSB having access to their private communications.

There is some speculation that the 'Fonterra 1080 poisoning threat' debacle is in fact a false flag cook-up to distract the mainstream media from the ongoing NSA / GCSB / FVEY spying evidence that is braising the Prime Ministers goose somewhat publicly.

► **Related:** [John Key On "Mass Collection" Versus "Mass Surveillance"](#)



Let's turn that mantra around as ask those running the GCSB why the feel they have to hide from public everything they do. Is it because, as recent revelations show, the agency is more about serving the interests of the US government than that of New Zealanders?

No Public Accountability for the GCSB

March 9 2015 | [EveningReport](#)

When I [Keith Locke] was an MP I ran up against a brick wall when I asked any questions about the GCSB, the Waihopai spy station or the Five Eyes. "We don't comment on matters of national security" was the routine reply from the Prime Minister (Helen Clark followed by John Key).



The PM's stonewalling has become even more absurd now that the Snowden documents have shown that the GCSB is intercepting and collecting virtually all the communications in Pacific Island states.

When asked whether former GCSB head Bruce Ferguson was right that the agency does engage in mass communications data collection, the [PM said](#) he didn't know what Ferguson meant? He also said there was no obligation on the GCSB to inform any New Zealander that details about their private communications were being collected.

Everything the GCSB does is lawful, Key, claimed, forgetting the Privacy Act and forgetting his previous assurance that the GCSB Act does not allow for mass surveillance of New Zealanders

To me there doesn't seem any question that the GCSB is illegally engaged in the wholesale collection of the communications of any New Zealander visiting or living in a Pacific Island, or any New Zealander emailing or phoning someone in the Pacific).

The targeting of Pacific Island government communications (as mentioned in one [NSA document](#)) is also contrary to the Vienna convention, and not what a good neighbour should do. The rejoinder of Key apologists, that "all nations do it" is simply not true, and we would rightly be outraged if a foreign government was intercepting all of our government communications.

Parliamentary oversight of the GCSB is a joke. There is an Intelligence and Security Committee, which operates in secret and is now limited to National and Labour politicians. They are told very little as evidenced by the comments of a former Intelligence and Security Committee member, Peter Dunne, who has [expressed surprise](#) that the GCSB is collecting communications data wholesale and passing it on to the NSA.

Let's not accept the PM's obfuscations. Let's demand enough information to allow us to have a proper debate about what GCSB is doing in our name. And let us have better parliamentary oversight of the agency through an all-party select committee whose hearings are where possible in public, like other parliamentary committees.

Prime Minister Goes Back On His Word: Statement #1:

Key: I'll resign if GCSB conducts mass surveillance

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Prime Minister John Key says he and the head of GCSB would resign if the spy agency were found to have conducted mass surveillance.

He made the comment to reporters at Parliament in the light of assurances that the changes to the GCSB Act 2003 would not mean mass surveillance of New Zealanders. Asked if he and GCSB chief Ian Fletcher would resign if there were mass surveillance, he said yes.

"But the facts of life are it won't happen."

For that to happen, the GCSB would have to undertake illegal activity.

He clarified later saying "both" would resign if there was mass surveillance.

"If I wholesale blatantly flout the law as Prime Minister I'm never going to survive anyway."

The Government Communications Security Bureau and Related Legislation Amendment Bill will be debated in Parliament this afternoon.

Labour plans to move an amendment to try to get written into the law a policy statement by Mr Key last week in which he said he would not grant warrants to the GCSB to look at the content of New Zealanders communications under the cyber security function in the first instance, but if the agency detected a serious cyber intrusion, it would have to come back to him for a second warrant.

Labour would require the leave of the House to introduce such an amendment because the part it relates to has already been dealt with. Mr Key indicated that National would oppose leave for Labour to do that, saying it was not necessary.

Meanwhile, [now Ex] Justice Minister Judith Collins has confirmed that the police in the past have used the GCSB's specialist capability to intercept the communications of paedophiles.

Such assistance to other agencies has been on hold since September last year, pending the current bill passing which will unequivocally give the GCSB the legal power to spy on New Zealanders in certain circumstances.

Prime Minister Goes Back On His Word: Statement #2:

Key says he won't quit if mass collection of Kiwis' communications proved

17:27 Mon, 9 Mar 2015 | [Television New Zealand](#)



Prime Minister John Key says he would not resign if it is proved that the GCSB carries out mass collection of New Zealanders' communications.

Mr Key has always insisted he would quit if it was proved that New Zealanders were subject to mass surveillance. He insists the GCSB has told him that it is not capable of doing mass surveillance and is not legally allowed to do it.

Late last week former GCSB boss Sir Bruce Ferguson told Radio New Zealand that there was mass collection of New Zealanders' data as part of spying operations in the Pacific.

Sir Bruce also maintained however that it was legal as it was collected inadvertently and that the information on Kiwis was not used. When asked today about whether there was a difference between the terms "collection" and "surveillance", Mr Key responded by saying he was "sure the lawyers would tell you there is a difference".

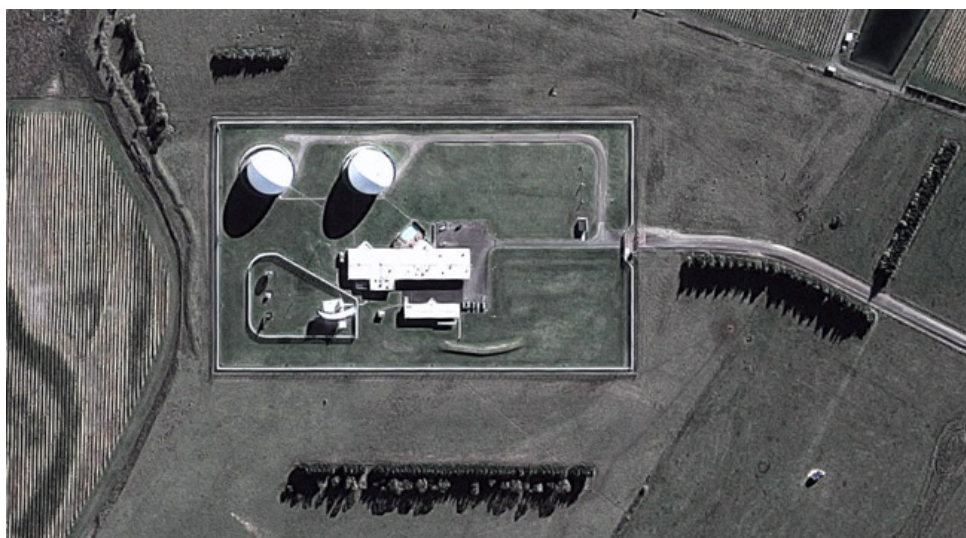
When pressed further, he refused to comment, saying he wasn't going to go into the GCSB's operational details.

Only the minister responsible for the GCSB would know for sure if that agency is conducting illegal mass surveillance. John Key is the minister responsible for the GCSB.

Documents Shine Light on Shadowy New Zealand Surveillance Base

March 8 2015 | [TheIntercept](#)

Near the heartland of New Zealand's renowned wine country, there is a place that visitors are not allowed to go. The peculiar large white domes that protrude from the earth in the Waihopai Valley are surrounded by razor wire and shrouded in secrecy.



But now, newly revealed documents from the National Security Agency whistleblower Edward Snowden shine a light on what is behind the security perimeter. The buildings there are crammed with sophisticated NSA spying technology, used by New Zealand to sweep up text messages, emails, phone calls, and other communications in bulk across the Asia-Pacific.

The documents, [revealed Saturday by the Sunday Star-Times](#) in collaboration with *The Intercept*, show how closely New Zealand has worked with the NSA to maintain surveillance coverage of the region. The files also offer an unprecedented insight into the Waihopai base, exposing how it's been integrated into a global eavesdropping network.

The spying station intercepts data from satellites, and is operated by Government Communications Security Bureau, or GCSB, New Zealand's equivalent of the NSA. Waihopai is part of a group of surveillance stations used by the so-called Five Eyes, an alliance that New Zealand is part of alongside the United States, the United Kingdom, Australia, and Canada.

The Snowden documents show that Waihopai relies heavily on NSA technology to conduct electronic eavesdropping. The NSA tools and systems at the base include LATENTTHREAT, which breaks the intercepted satellite signals down into individual communications; LEGALREPTILE, which collects text message and call metadata, showing who is contacting whom and when; SEMITONE, which monitors fax and voice messages; FALLOWHAUNT, which targets communications sent over small "VSAT" satellites; JUGGERNAUT, which processes intercepted calls from mobile phone networks (including voice, fax, data and text messages); LOPERS and SURFBOARD, both used to snoop on phone calls; and XKEYSCORE, a system used to gather intercepted Internet data, such as emails and details about people's online browsing habits.

According to the NSA documents, the Waihopai station is codenamed IRONSAND. Its primary targets are large international telecommunications satellites that provide communications to and from all of New Zealand's Pacific Island neighbors and other Asia-Pacific nations.

Waihopai's principal target in 2005, [a secret GCSB report](#) from three years ago shows, was a satellite positioned high above the Kiribati islands. This satellite was damaged and stopped operating after a power failure in mid-January 2005. Its work was transferred to another satellite, named IS-701, and later to IS-18, which is now Waihopai's main target.

GCSB is legally barred from spying on New Zealand citizens except under a warrant. But there is a secret exception that allows the agency to spy on the governments of islands populated by New Zealand citizens.

"Note: The governments of Cook Islands and Niue may be targeted, but not their citizens since they are entitled to hold New Zealand passports,"

- notes [a secret 2012 NSA document](#) on New Zealand's surveillance policies.

In practice, this means politicians and public servants can be targeted for surveillance on the islands even if they are New Zealand citizens.

Cook Island opposition leader William Heather [told](#) the *Sunday Star-Times* he was shocked to learn that the GCSB had spied on the island's residents.

"We are only a small dot in the Pacific," he said, questioning why New Zealand would "spy on the family."

On Wednesday, *The Intercept* and the *New Zealand Herald* [revealed](#) how the Waihopai base was being used to spy on communications across the Pacific Islands and share intercepted data in bulk with the NSA and the other Five Eyes.

Following the story, the Tongan prime minister said the spying was "a breach of trust," the New Zealand Labour party leader Andrew Little [called](#) the spying a "mass invasion of privacy," and the Greens [filed a legal complaint](#) against the surveillance, which the party's co-leader Russel Norman said amounted to "crimes under New Zealand law against entire countries."

New Zealand's prime minister John Key insisted that the revelations were wrong, but then refused to explain why, [telling](#) a press conference he had:

"no intention of telling you about how we do things."

Meanwhile, former GCSB chief Sir Bruce Ferguson [admitted](#) that "mass collection" of data was indeed being undertaken in the Pacific, and said it was "mission impossible" to eliminate New Zealanders' communications from the data being swept up.

Responding to the latest revelations on Saturday, GCSB declined to comment. In a statement issued to *The Intercept* and the *Sunday-Star Times*, the agency's acting director, Una Jagose, said:

"We do not comment on operational matters. Everything we do is authorized under legislation and subject to independent oversight."

NSA spokeswoman Vane' Vines said in a statement that the agency would not comment "on specific, alleged foreign intelligence activities."

Vines added: "The National Security Agency works with foreign partners to address a wide array of serious threats, including terrorist plots, the proliferation of weapons of mass destruction, and foreign aggression.

NSA's activities with foreign partners comply with U.S. laws and the applicable laws under which our partners operate."

10 George Orwell Quotes That Predicted The World Today

March 13 2015 | From: [InfoWars](#)

"If you want a picture of the future, imagine a boot stamping on a human face - forever."



George Orwell, author of *1984*, had tremendous insight on how the global elite would dominate society, and he predicted the current political climate in America today as you'll see from this list by Justin King of [the Anti-Media](#):

George Orwell ranks among the most profound social critics of the modern era.

Some of his quotations, more than a half a century old, show the depth of understanding an enlightened mind can have about the future.

1) "In our age there is no such thing as 'keeping out of politics.' All issues are political issues, and politics itself is a mass of lies, evasions, folly, hatred and schizophrenia."

Though many in the modern age have the will to bury their head in the sand when it comes to political matters, nobody can only concern themselves with the proverbial pebble in their shoe. If one is successful in avoiding politics, at some point the effects of the political decisions they abstained from participating in will reach their front door. More often than not, by that time the person has already lost whatever whisper of a voice the government has allowed them.

2) "All the war-propaganda, all the screaming and lies and hatred, comes invariably from people who are not fighting."

Examining the nightly news in the run up to almost any military intervention will find scores of talking heads crying for blood to flow in the streets of some city the name of which they just learned to pronounce. Once the bullets start flying, those that clamored for war will still be safely on set bringing you up-to-the-minute coverage of the carnage while their stock in Raytheon climbs.

3) "War against a foreign country only happens when the moneyed classes think they are going to profit from it."

It's pretty self-explanatory and while it may be hard to swallow, it's certainly true. All it takes is a quick look at who benefited from the recent wars waged by the United States to see Orwell's quip take life.

4) "The very concept of objective truth is fading out of the world. Lies will pass into history."

My most prized books are a collection of history books from around the world. I have an Iraqi book that recounts the glory of Saddam Hussein's victory over the United States in 1991. I have books from three different nations claiming that one of their citizens was the first to fly. As some of the most powerful nations in the world agree to let certain facts be "forgotten," the trend will only get worse. History is written by the victor, and the victor will never be asked if he told the truth.

5) "In a time of deceit, telling the truth is a revolutionary act."

Even without commentary, the reader is probably picturing Edward Snowden or Chelsea Manning. The revolutions of the future will not be fought with bullets and explosives, but with little bits of data traveling around the world destroying the false narratives with which governments shackle their citizens.

6) "Journalism is printing what someone else does not want printed: everything else is public relations."

Make no mistake about it; if an article does not anger someone, it is nothing more than a public relations piece. Most of what passes for news today is little more than an official sounding advertisement for a product, service, or belief.

7) "In real life it is always the anvil that breaks the hammer..."

In every conflict, it is not the side that can inflict the most damage, but the side that can sustain the most damage that ultimately prevails. History is full of situations in which a military "won the battles but lost the war."

8) "The nationalist not only does not disapprove of atrocities committed by his own side, but he has a remarkable capacity for not even hearing about them."

Haditha. Panjwai. Maywand District. Mahmudiyah. These names probably don't ring a bell, but it is almost a certainty that the reader is aware of the brutality that occurred in Benghazi. The main difference is that in the first four incidents, those committing the acts of brutality were wearing an American flag on their shoulder.

9) "Threats to freedom of speech, writing and action, though often trivial in isolation, are cumulative in their effect and, unless checked, lead to a general disrespect for the rights of the citizen."

Everyday there is a new form of censorship or a new method of forcing people into self-censorship, and the people shrug it off because it only relates to a small minority. By the time the people realize their ability to express disapproval has been completely restricted, it may be too late. That brings us to Orwell's most haunting quote.

10) "If you want a picture of the future, imagine a boot stamping on a human face—forever."

Once the people are indoctrinated with nationalistic beliefs, and the infrastructure to protect them from some constantly-changing and ever-expanding definition of an enemy is in place, there is no ability for the people to regain liberty. By the time all of the pieces are in place, not only is opportunity to regain freedom lost, but the will to achieve freedom has also evaporated. The reader will truly love Big Brother.

**Key Must Explain How GCSB Spying On Citizens Is Lawful
+ Pacific Action Needed Against Spy Net**

March 10 2015 | From: [Pacific Freedom Forum](#) / [Green Party](#)

John Key needs to come clean with New Zealanders and explain how it is lawful for the Government Communications Security Bureau (GCSB) to spy, without a warrant, on New Zealand citizens who are part of the governments of the Cook Islands and Niue, said the Green Party today.

Related: [NSA Global Spy Stations Revealed: 'Sniff It All, Collect It All, Know It All, Process It All, Exploit It All'](#)



Documentation revealed today by the Sunday Star Times show that the GCSB's targeting rules include New Zealand citizens are part of the governments of the Cook Islands and Niue.

Key must explain how GCSB spying on citizens is lawful

"The documents show the GCSB knew spying on New Zealanders from the Cook Island and Niue was illegal, but they decided to ignore this anyway," said Green Party Co-leader Dr Russel Norman.

"What was the justification for spying on people when the GCSB knew it was illegal?"

"Is John Key saying that New Zealanders in the Cook Islands and Niue are second class citizens who do not deserve the protection of our spy laws?"

"The facts show that there has been mass illegal spying on New Zealanders in the Pacific and John Key needs to explain why it was done."

"This spying agenda accelerated under his leadership, and he needs to tell the public if New Zealand, why he allowed something so blatantly illegal to occur."

"It is not good enough to refuse to engage with the issue as John Key has been doing."

"Every other world leader has fronted and offered an explanation; John Key, on the other hand, thinks he is above explaining this mess to New Zealanders."

"The Green Party hopes the Inspector General of Intelligence and Security will be able to provide some answers to

Pacific Action Needed Against Spy Net - PFF

Pacific leaders need to take action against wholesale spying by foreign powers, warns the Pacific Freedom Forum.

"Freedom of speech includes secure, private communications," says PFF Chair Titi Gabi.

"This is true for not just journalists and their sources, but also for political leaders, community leaders, activists and advocates."

This week's news about the "full take" spying delivers details promised last year by investigative journalist Glenn Greenwald, based on documents leaked by former NSA contractor, Edward Snowden.

Ten Pacific countries are listed in media reports as being targets of spying by New Zealand's GCSB, which gives the NSA full access - and control - over the data.

The countries are given as Tuvalu, Nauru, Kiribati and Samoa, Vanuatu, the Solomon Islands, New Caledonia, Fiji, Tonga and French Polynesia.

However another investigative journalist, Nick Hager, was quoted as saying the spying basically involves "all" Pacific Island countries.

PFF co-Chair Monica Miller said that concerns about mass surveillance must now extend to the highest levels of power in the Pacific.

"We are all familiar with concerns about the chilling effects on freedoms of speech of laws and threats from various governments.

But now its the turn of the public to be concerned about those effects on their own governments."

PFF notes questions of outright illegality under New Zealand law given the fact that Niue and the Cook Islands people are New Zealand citizens by birthright.

New Zealand got support from the entire Pacific in its campaign for a seat on the United Nations Security Council, campaigning with the slogan "New Zealand stands up for small states".

PFF says the spying highlights the need for more regional awareness and action on cyber security.

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Snowden Documents Show Extent Of NZ Spying On South Pacific Nations

March 7 2015 | From: [NBR](#)

Note: After publishing this article it would appear that the National Business Review has been leaned upon by the Prime Ministers Office in a lame attempt to whitewash this story - As may be seen in the revised link above. The original NBR article is referenced below.

The article is now entitled "John Key Rejects Snowden Docs As 'Outdated'". The cabal is in a failing backslide and their inept minions cannot thwart exposures prior to media release now.

Documents released to media today by the US National Security Agency (NSA) leaker Edward Snowden show New Zealand signals intelligence agencies spy on South Pacific nations.



The documents, dated at July 2009 and entitled "GCSB SIGINT Development Quarterly Report" are a series of official reports disseminated among the so-called Five Eyes countries.

They show New Zealand has been spying on the digital communications of various South Pacific nations. The communications collected reportedly include digital, email, telephone metadata, landline and mobile conversations and other forms.

Prime Minister John Key stated yesterday that he believed the information expected for release would be "wrong."

However, the reports are all stamped with the logo of the Government Communications Security Bureau (GCSB) with a redacted address, presumably that of the director of the GCSB.

The internal report states that the GCSB in 2009 was facing a "rapid pace" of technological change throughout the South Pacific as newer cable communications began to supersede older methods such as satellite communications.

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Targets for the GCSB include Fiji, Samoa, New Caledonia and Vanuatu.

The collection site is listed as the GCSB's signals intelligence station at Waihopai in Marlborough.

Other documents from Mr Snowden are expected to be released over the coming days.

Greens Scream, Tech Liberty Raises Practical Concerns As Customs Asks For Right To Demand Passwords

March 7 2015 | From: [NationalBusinessReview](#)

Customs wants the right to demand people disclose passwords for laptops, smartphones and other gadgets as they enter New Zealand even if it has no warrant – and the threat of up to three months' jail if they refuse.



The agency's call comes in a [discussion paper](#) on proposed changes to the Customs and Excise Act (1996).

Customs says it wants to move with the times and align our law with "comparable countries, such as Australia, the US, Canada and the UK." It sees inspecting an electronic device potentially becoming part of a routine bag search.

Greens ICT spokesman Gareth Hughes says "These proposed new powers are unnecessary and an affront to Kiwis' privacy. Customs can already access travellers' electronic devices if they get a warrant, such as for anti-money laundering and anti-terrorism purposes or other suspected criminal activities. There needs to be a clear threshold and due process for law enforcement agencies accessing private electronic devices. No agency should be able to demand access to private information without a very good reason."

Bad for business

Labour's Clare Curran notes Customs also wants people to hand over keys to encrypted files without a warrant.

She says that's bad for business.

"This is another example of New Zealand falling into line with its Five Eyes partners, the US, Australia, Canada and the UK and is another step toward the erosion of civil liberties and privacy," she says.

"It's also a disturbing new piece of evidence that encryption as a business model is under threat. It could lead to stifling innovation of new businesses which provide encryption services and even dissuade people from travelling to a country with such draconian laws."

Practical concerns

Tech Liberty co-founder and NZ Council for Civil Liberties chairman Thomas Beagle is also concerned about privacy implications. "This is particularly a problem when there is solid evidence that Customs has already been doing searches at the border at the request of the Police rather than for the customs purposes enabled by law," he says.

He also raises practical issues.

"We think the proposal is not going to achieve what Customs want it to, and there is too much risk of innocents being caught up in it," he says.

"Anyone with criminal digital content is going to store it on Dropbox or similar, travel with a clean laptop and then download the files when they get here."

"Or if they are silly enough to travel with sensitive files, how high would the penalty be for not handing over the password have to be to make it worth while giving it up?"

He adds that if someone refuses to hand over the combination for a lock on a brief case, that's only a short-term problem. A Customs officer can literally force the issue with a hammer and chisel.

But if someone is asked for the password for a laptop, they can always weigh the threat of three months' jail for not handing it over versus the penalty they could face for, say, having evidence of money laundering or participating in a child porn ring on their computer, Mr Beagle says.

The problem for a Customs officer is that they have no way of telling if someone is refusing to hand over a password out of sheepishness, or if there is major offending involved. It could be that someone has simply forgotten their password in the stress of the situation.

"As for those worried that otherwise people might escape, we do have a police force with extensive powers granted by the Search & Surveillance Act (2012)," he says. Additionally, Customs already has the right to inspect electronic devices under the Countering Financing of Terrorism Act (2009)."

"But of course it would have to have probable cause and get permission from a judge," he says.

The Tech Liberty co-founder prefers that route. "Customs has [long been suspected](#) of exceeding its powers to do searches on behalf of the Police," he claims.

Breaking: Google Gives New Meaning To "Orwellian"

March 3 2015 | From: [Jon Rappoport](#)

"...if all records told the same tale — then the lie passed into history and became truth."
(1984, George Orwell)



The New Scientist has the stunning story (2/28/15, ["Google wants to rank websites based on facts not links."](#) by Hal Hodson):

"The internet is stuffed with garbage. Anti-vaccination websites make the front page of Google, and fact-free 'news' stories spread like wildfire. Google has devised a fix – rank websites according to their truthfulness."

Great idea, right? Sure it is. The author of the article lets the cat out of the bag right away with his comment about "anti-vaccination" websites.

These sites will obviously be shoved into obscurity by Google because they're "garbage"...whereas "truthful" pro-vaccine sites will dominate top ranked pages on the search engine.

This is wonderful if you believe what the CDC tells you about vaccine safety and efficacy. The CDC: an agency that opens its doors every day with lies and closes them with more lies.

The New Scientist article continues:

"A Google research team is adapting [a] model to measure the trustworthiness of a [website] page, rather than its reputation across the web. Instead of counting incoming links, the [ranking] system – which is not yet live – counts the number of incorrect facts within a page. 'A source that has few false facts is considered to be trustworthy,' says the team...The score they compute for each page is its Knowledge-Based Trust score."

Right. Google, researchers of truth. Assessors of trustworthiness. Who in the world could have a problem with that?

Answer: anyone with three live brain cells.

Here's the New Scientist's capper. It's a beaut:

"The [truth-finding] software works by tapping into the Knowledge Vault, the vast store of facts that Google has pulled off the internet. Facts the web unanimously agrees on are considered a reasonable proxy for truth. Web pages that contain contradictory information are bumped down the rankings."

Right. Uh-huh. So Google, along with its friends at the CIA, will engineer a new and improved, greater flood of (dis)information across the Web. And this disinfo will constitute an overwhelming majority opinion...and will become the standard for measuring truth and trustworthiness.

Think about what kinds of websites will rise like foul cream to the top of Google page rankings:

"All vaccines are marvelously safe and effective, and parents who don't vaccinate their kids should be prosecuted for felonies."

"GMOs are perfectly safe. 'The science' says so."

"The FBI has never organized a synthetic terror event and then stung the morons it encouraged."

"Common Core is the greatest system of education yet devised by humans."

"People who believe conspiracies exist have mental disorders."

In other words: (fake) consensus reality becomes reality. Which is the situation we have now, but the titanic pile of fakery will rise much, much higher.

Also, think about this: the whole purpose of authentic investigative reporting is puncturing the consensus...but you'll have to search Google for a long time to find it.

In the field of medical fraud, an area I've been researching for 25 years, the conclusions of standard published studies (which are brimming with lies) will occupy page after page of top Google rankings.

Let me offer a counter-example to the Google "knowledge team." Here is a woman who has examined, up close and personal, more medical studies in her career than the entire workforce of Google. She is Dr. Marcia Angell. For 20 years, she was an editor at The New England Journal of Medicine.

On January 15, 2009, the New York Review of Books published her stunning statement: "It is simply no longer possible to believe much of the clinical research that is published, or to rely on the judgment of trusted physicians or authoritative medical guidelines. I take no pleasure in this conclusion, which I reached slowly and reluctantly over my two decades as an editor of The New England Journal of Medicine."

In two sentences, Angell carries more weight than 20,000 blowhard "science bloggers," to say nothing of lying drug companies and that criminal agency called the FDA.

Angell torpedoes an entire range of medical literature, based on her hard-won experience.

But you can be sure that when it comes to "medical facts," the Google "truth team" will ascribe absolutely no merit (ranking) to her conclusion or its implications.

You may say, "But these search engines are already slanting the truth."

The new Google program is going to double down. It's going to set up its own Ministry of Truth. It's going to standardize algorithms that unerringly bring about officially favored lies.

- ▶ **Stories on vote fraud?**
- ▶ **Stories contradicting the official line on mass shootings?**
- ▶ **Stories on the US government funding terrorist groups?**
- ▶ **Stories on the hostile planetary intentions of Globalists?**
- ▶ **Stories on corporate criminals? Secrets of the Federal Reserve?**
- ▶ **Stories on major media censoring scandals?**

Counter-consensus stories on 9/11, the JFK assassination, the US bankers and corporations who funded both sides in WW2? All anti-establishment versions of history?

After Google launches this Ministry of Truth program, you'll have to put on diving gear and go deep underwater to find any trace of them.

Welcome to a new day.

"It was a bright cold day in April, and the clocks were striking thirteen." (Opening line, 1984, Orwell)

Let's take all this one step further. Google's director of research is Ray Kurzweil, who many people know as the promoter of a "utopian" plan to hook the population up (through direct brain-machine interface) to a vast super-computer.

The super-computer will pass along virtually all human knowledge. Kurzweil believes such a momentous breakthrough will endow humans with a mystical level of consciousness.

Even if this technological wet dream could be realized, we can now see what "connecting to all human knowledge" means:

It means accepting all official knowledge. Being blind to counter-knowledge. It's time to reverse AI (Artificial Intelligence) and

call it IA (Intelligent Androids).

IAs would be humans who are programmed to be androids. IAs accept truth as it delivered to them by official sources.

Google makes its contribution by promoting official sources. And hiding other sources. Yes, this surely seems like Nirvana. You will be fed the Good and protected from the Evil.

Sound familiar?

Thank you, Google. When are you going to apply for non-profit status and open your Holy Church of Information?

"Today's sermon will be delivered by the director of the CIA. It is titled, 'Data: everything you need to know, everything you must not believe.' Breathe deeply. Your neuronal circuits are now being tuned to our channel..."

The Great SIM Heist: How Spies Stole The Keys To The Encryption Castle

February 25 2015 | From: [TheIntercept](#)

American and British spies hacked into the internal computer network of the largest manufacturer of SIM cards in the world, stealing encryption keys used to protect the privacy of cellphone communications across the globe, according to top-secret documents provided to The Intercept by National Security Agency whistleblower Edward Snowden.



The hack was perpetrated by a joint unit consisting of operatives from the NSA and its British counterpart Government Communications Headquarters, or GCHQ. The breach, detailed in a secret 2010 GCHQ [document](#), gave the surveillance agencies the potential to secretly monitor a large portion of the world's cellular communications, including both voice and data.

The company targeted by the intelligence agencies, [Gemalto](#), is a multinational firm incorporated in the Netherlands that makes the chips used in mobile phones and next-generation credit cards. Among its clients are AT&T, T-Mobile, Verizon, Sprint and some 450 wireless network providers around the world. The company operates in 85 countries and has more than 40 manufacturing facilities. One of its three global headquarters is in Austin, Texas and it has a large factory in Pennsylvania.

In all, Gemalto produces some 2 billion SIM cards a year. Its motto is "Security to be Free."

With these stolen encryption keys, intelligence agencies can monitor mobile communications without seeking or receiving approval from telecom companies and foreign governments. Possessing the keys also sidesteps the need to get a warrant or a wiretap, while leaving no trace on the wireless provider's network that the communications were intercepted.

Bulk key theft additionally enables the intelligence agencies to unlock any previously encrypted communications they had already intercepted, but did not yet have the ability to decrypt.

As part of the covert operations against Gemalto, spies from GCHQ - with support from the NSA - mined the private communications of unwitting engineers and other company employees in multiple countries.

Gemalto was totally oblivious to the penetration of its systems - and the spying on its employees:

"I'm disturbed, quite concerned that this has happened," Paul Beverly, a Gemalto executive vice president, told The Intercept.

"The most important thing for me is to understand exactly how this was done, so we can take every measure to ensure that it doesn't happen again, and also to make sure that there's no impact on the telecom operators that we have served in a very trusted manner for many years. What I want to understand is what sort of ramifications it has, or could have, on any of our customers."

He added that *"the most important thing for us now is to understand the degree" of the breach.*

Leading privacy advocates and security experts say that the theft of encryption keys from major wireless network providers is tantamount to a thief obtaining the master ring of a building superintendent who holds the keys to every apartment.

"Once you have the keys, decrypting traffic is trivial," says Christopher Soghoian, the principal technologist for the American Civil Liberties Union.

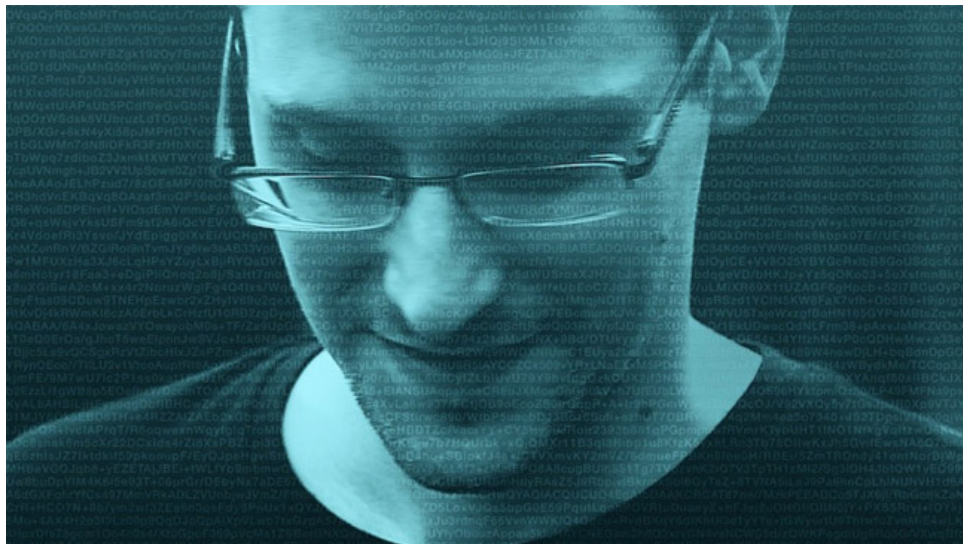
"The news of this key theft will send a shock wave through the security community."

For the full story see: [TheIntercept](#)

Snowden Documentary CitizenFour Grabs Oscar

February 24 2015 | From: [RT](#)

A Laura Poitras' film about NSA whistleblower Edward Snowden has won Hollywood's highest accolade by snatching the Oscar for Best Documentary.



"The disclosures of Edward Snowden don't only expose a threat to our privacy but to our democracy itself," Poitras said during her acceptance speech. "When the most important decisions being made affecting all of us are made in secret, we lose our ability to check the powers that control," she pointed out, thanking Edward Snowden "for his courage, and for the many other whistleblowers."

Poitras added that she is sharing the award with Glenn Greenwald and "other journalists who are exposing truth." She was joined on stage by editor Mathilde Bonnefoy, producer Dirk Wilutzky and Snowden's girlfriend, Lindsay Mills.

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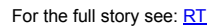
In response to the news, Snowden, who was charged under the federal Espionage Act and is currently living in asylum in Russia, wrote in a statement, released by the American Civil Liberties Union:

"When Laura Poitras asked me if she could film our encounters, I was extremely reluctant. I'm grateful that I allowed her to persuade me. The result is a brave and brilliant film that deserves the honor and recognition it has received."

"My hope is that this award will encourage more people to see the film and be inspired by its message that ordinary citizens, working together, can change the world," Snowden said.

The documentary features a series of face-to-face meetings between Berlin-based filmmaker Laura Poitras, who appeared to be on the US Homeland Security "watch list" at one point, and the whistleblower Snowden, who got in touch with Poitras last January when she was working on a feature about surveillance in the post-9/11 era.

"Every border you cross, every purchase you make, every call you dial is in the hands of a system whose reach is unlimited but whose safeguards are not," Edward Snowden warns in the documentary's trailer:



February 19 2015 | From: [GlobalResearch](#)

This device records a log of both resistive power levels and reactive loads as a function of time. The RRPLS device can extract characteristic appliance “signatures” from the raw data. For example, existing [1990s] RRPLS

devices can identify whenever the sheets are thrown back from a water bed by detecting the duty cycles of the water bed heater. RRPLS can infer that two people shared a shower by noting an unusually heavy load on the electric water heater and that two uses of the hair dryer followed."

A majority of utility companies are reluctant to acknowledge the profoundly advanced capabilities of these mechanisms that have now been effectively mandated for residential and business clients. Along these lines, when confronted with questions on whether the devices are able to gather usage data with such exactitude, company representatives are apparently compelled to feign ignorance or demur.

i210Yet the features Crawford describes and their assimilation with the IoT are indeed a part of General Electric's I-210+C smart meter, among the most widely-deployed models in the US. This meter is equipped with not one, not two, but three transceivers, the I-210+C's promotional brochure explains

One of the set's transceivers uses ZigBee Pro protocols, "one of several wireless communication standards in the works to link up appliances, light bulbs, security systems, thermostats and other equipment in home and enterprises." With most every new appliance now required to be IoT-equipped, not only will consumer habits be increasingly monitored through energy usage, but over the longer term lifestyle and thus behavior will be transformed through power rationing, first in the form of "tiered usage," and eventually in a less accommodating way through the remote control of "smart" appliances during peak hours

Information gathered from the combined IoT and Smart Grid will also be of immense value to marketers that up to now have basically been excluded from the domestic sphere. As an affiliate of WPP Pic., the world's biggest ad agency put it, the data harvested by smart meters "opens the door to the home. Consumers are leaving a digital footprint that opens the door to their online habits and to their shopping habits and their location, and the last thing that is understood is the home, because at the moment when you shut the door, that's it."

ESAs the FTC's 2015 report makes clear, this is the sort of retail (permissible) criminality hastened by the merging of Smart Grid and IoT technologies also provides an immense facility for wholesale criminals to scan and monitor various households' activities as potential targets for robbery, or worse.

The FTC, utility companies and smart meter manufacturers alike still defer to the Federal Communications Commission as confirmation of the alleged safety of Smart Grid and smart meter deployment. This is the case even though the FCC is not chartered to oversee public health and, basing its regulatory procedure on severely outdated science, maintains that microwave radiation is not a threat to public health so long as no individual's skin or flesh have risen in temperature.

Yet in the home and workplace the profusion of wireless technologies such as ZigBee will compound the already significant collective radiation load of WiFi, cellular telephony, and the smart meter's routine transmissions. The short term physiological impact will likely include weakened immunity, fatigue, and insomnia that can hasten terminal illnesses.

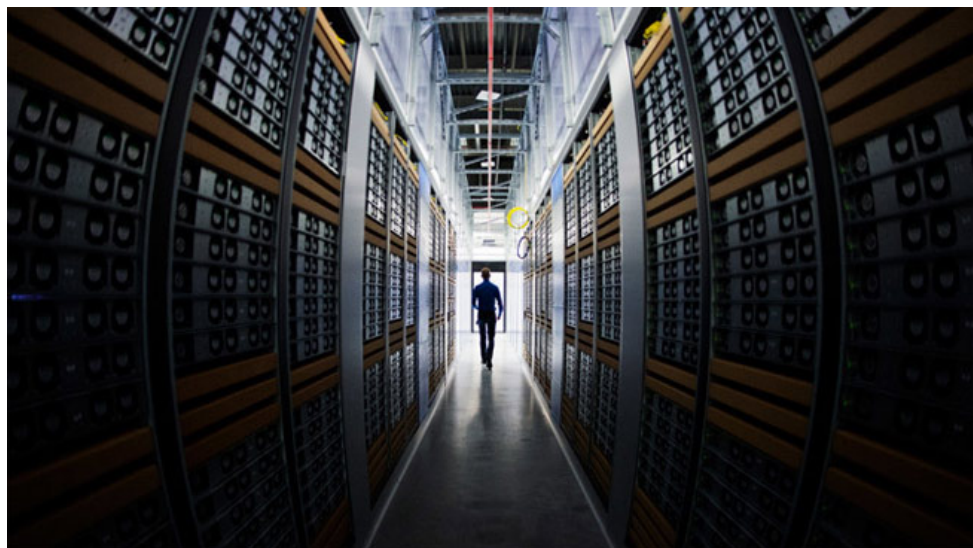
Perhaps the greatest irony is how the Internet of Things, the Smart Grid and their attendant "Smart Home" are sold under the guise of convenience, personal autonomy, even knowledge production and wisdom. "The more data that is created," Cisco gushes, "the more knowledge and wisdom people can obtain. IoT dramatically increases the amount of data available for us to process. This, coupled with the Internet's ability to communicate this data, will enable people to advance even further."

In light of the grave privacy and health-related concerns posed by this techno tsunami, the members of a sane society might seriously ask themselves exactly where they are advancing, or being compelled to advance to.

Is Your Computer Hard Drive Hiding An NSA Spy Program?

February 18 2015 | From: [infowars](#)

Majority of the world's computers now spy for the NSA. According to Kaspersky Lab, the Moscow-based security software maker, the NSA has managed to insert spying software on most computer hard drives.



The program is hidden on hard drives manufactured by Western Digital, Seagate, Toshiba and other top manufacturers, [Reuters](#) reports.

Kaspersky did not pinpoint the country responsible for the software, but said it is closely related to Stuxnet, the cyber weapon developed by the Americans and the Israelis, with help from the Germans and the British.

Stuxnet was used to sabotage Iran's effort to enrich uranium for its nuclear program.

However, in addition to setting back Iran's nuclear program, the sophisticated malware engineered by the U.S. and Israel at the Dimona complex in the Negev desert was exploited to [push for restrictive cybersecurity measures in the United States](#).

A former NSA employee told the news agency the NSA values the hard drive spy program as much as Stuxnet.

Kaspersky said its research discovered the program on personal computers in 30 countries. Most of the infections were on computers in Iran, Russia, Pakistan, Afghanistan, China, Mali, Syria, Yemen and Algeria.

Although Kaspersky said the targets include government and military institutions, telecommunication companies, banks, energy companies, nuclear researchers, media, and Islamic activists, it is not unreasonable to conclude it is used to spy on American citizens engaged in political activity the establishment considers threatening.

In July of last year journalist Glenn Greenwald revealed the NSA has targeted a [number of political activists](#) for surveillance.

"I have long viewed this as one of the most important stories in the Snowden archive because it puts a face on the NSA's surveillance overreach and illustrates, yet again — that domestic spying abuses usually target minorities, marginalized groups, and dissidents," Greenwald said.

Citizen Four: The Edward Snowden Documentary

February 13 2015 | From: [CitizenFour](#)

Citizen Four is a real life thriller (currently in cinemas), unfolding by the minute, giving audiences unprecedented access to filmmaker Laura Poitras and journalist Glenn Greenwald's encounters with Edward Snowden in Hong Kong, as he hands over classified documents providing evidence of mass indiscriminate and illegal invasions of privacy by the National Security Agency (NSA).



Poitras had already been working on a film about surveillance for two years when Snowden contacted her, using the name "CITIZENFOUR," in January 2013. He reached out to her because he knew she had long been a target of government surveillance, stopped at airports numerous times, and had refused to be intimidated.

When Snowden revealed he was a high-level analyst driven to expose the massive surveillance of Americans by the NSA, Poitras persuaded him to let her film.

Citizenfour Official Trailer 1 (2014) - Edward Snowden Documentar...  



Citizen Four places you in the room with Poitras, Greenwald, and Snowden as they attempt to manage the media storm raging outside, forced to make quick decisions that will impact their lives and all of those around them.

Citizen Four not only shows you the dangers of governmental surveillance—it makes you feel them. After seeing the film, you will never think the same way about your phone, email, credit card, web browser, or profile, ever again.

Automakers Stumped: Report Says Hackers Can Hijack Almost Any Car

February 12 2015 | From: [RT](#)

Almost all automobiles sold today contain systems that can potentially be compromised by hackers, a United States Senator warns, but automakers appear largely unaware of the implications, according to his report.



Sen. Ed Markey (D-Massachusetts) is calling on the world's automobile makers to implement mandatory safeguards after his congressional inquiry revealed a widespread absence of security and privacy protection with regards to cars currently being sold around the world.

Security that could curb hacking against automobiles or allow sensitive information to be compromised must be put in place by the auto industry, Markey's office warns in the [report](#) published Monday, and current protection, when it's brought to bear, is largely inconsistent.

The report warns modern automobiles are increasingly collecting sensitive information about personal driving habits and history, which is often held indefinitely and then offered to third-parties, in turn allowing companies the ability to keep detailed information about not just car performance, but also where a driver has traveled.

READ MORE: [Car-hacked: Cyber-criminals could target driverless vehicles, cause chaos – expert](#)

"Drivers have come to rely on these new technologies, but unfortunately the automakers haven't done their part to protect us from cyber-attacks or privacy invasions. Even as we are more connected than ever in our cars and trucks, our technology systems and data security remain largely unprotected,"

Sen. Markey, a member of the Commerce, Science and Transportation Committee, said in a [statement](#) on Monday.

"We need to work with the industry and cyber-security experts to establish clear rules of the road to ensure the safety and privacy of 21st-century American drivers."

Markey's team considered studies by the Pentagon's Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency (DARPA) in 2013 and 2014 in preparing the report, and sent questionnaires to 20 automakers inquiring about each manufacturer's technology, security precautions and privacy policies.

Only 16 of the automakers responded, according to this week's report, but their answers were enough to leave Sen. Markey's office issuing a plea for car companies to increase security measures concerning the cars' increasingly advanced technologies and privacy protections for the data it records.

Read the full story at: [RT](#)

The Police State Is Upon Us - Paul Craig Roberts

February 1 2015 | From: [PaulCraigRoberts](#)

Anyone paying attention knows that 9/11 has been used to create a police/warfare state. Years ago NSA official William Binney warned Americans about the universal spying by the National Security Agency, to little effect. Recently Edward Snowden proved the all-inclusive NSA spying by releasing spy documents, enough of which have been made available by Glenn Greenwald to establish the fact of NSA illegal and unconstitutional spying, spying that has no legal, constitutional, or "national security" reasons.



Yet the people are not up in arms. The people of the western countries have accepted the government's offenses against them as necessary protection against "terrorists."

Neither Congress, the White House, or the Judiciary has done anything about the wrongful spying, because the spying serves the government. Law and the Constitution are expendable when the few who control the government have their "more important agendas."

Bradley Manning warned us of the militarization of US foreign policy and the murderous consequences, and Julian Assange of WikiLeaks posted leaked documents proving it.

Were these whistleblowers and honest journalists, who alerted us to the determined attack on our civil liberty, rewarded with invitations to the White House and given medals of honor in recognition of their service to American liberty?

No. Bradley Manning is in federal prison, and so would be Julian Assad and Edward Snowden if Washington could get its hands on them.

Binney escaped the Police State's clutches, because he did not take any documents with which to prove his allegations, and thus could be dismissed as "disgruntled" and as a "conspiracy kook," but not arrested as a "spy" who stole "national secrets."



Glenn Greenwald - The journalist entrusted by Edward Snowden for the initial NSA material releases

Greenwald, so far, is too prominent to be hung for reporting the truth. But he is in the crosshairs, and the Police State is using other cases to close in on him.

These are only five of the many people who have provided absolute total proof that the Bill of Rights has been overthrown. Washington continues to present itself to the world as the "home of the free," the owner of the White Hat, while Washington demonstrates its lack of mercy by invading or bombing seven countries on false pretenses during the past 14 years, displacing, killing, and maiming millions of Muslims who never raised a fist against the US.

Many commentators have written articles and given interviews about government's ever expanding police powers. The totality of the American Police State is demonstrated by its monument in Utah, where an enormous complex has been constructed in which to store every communication of every American. Somehow a son or daughter checking on an aged parent, a working mother checking on her children's child care, a family ordering a pizza, and sweethearts planning a date are important matters of national security.

Some educated and intelligent people understand the consequences, but most Americans perceive no threat as they "have nothing to hide."

The Founding Fathers who wrote the Bill of Rights and attached it to the US Constitution did not have anything to hide, but they clearly understood, unlike modern day Americans, that freedom depended completely on strictly limiting the ability of government to intrude upon the person.

Those limits provided by the Founding Fathers are gone. The hoax "war on terror" demolished them.

Today not even the relationships between husband and wife and parents and children have any protection from arbitrary intrusions by the state. Essentially, government has destroyed the family along with civil liberty.

Those insouciant Americans who do not fear the police state because they "have nothing to hide" desperately need to read: [Home-schooled Children Seized By Authorities Still In State Custody](#).

In Police State America, authorities can enter your home on the basis of an anonymous "tip" that you are, or might be, somehow, abusing your children, or exposing them to medicines that are not in containers with child-proof caps or to household bleach that is not under lock and key, and seize your children into state custody on the grounds that you present a danger to your children.

The government does not have to tell you who your accuser is. It can be your worst enemy or a disgruntled employee, but the tipster is protected. However, you and your family are not.

The authorities who receive these tips treat them as if they are valid. A multi-member goon squad shows up at your house. This is when the utterly stupid "I have nothing to hide" Americans discover that they have no rights, regardless of whether they have anything to hide.

We owe this police power over parents and children to "child advocates" who lobbied for laws based on their fantasies that all parents are serial rapists of children, and if not, are medieval torturers, trained by the CIA, who physically and psychologically abuse their children.

In the opinion of "child advocates," children are brought into the world in order to be abused by parents. Dogs and cats and the fish in the fishbowl are not enough. Parents need children to abuse, too, just as the Police and the Police State need people to abuse.

Of course, sometimes real child abuse occurs. But it is not the routine event that the Child Protective Services Police assume. A sincere investigation, such as was missing in the report on the home-schooled children, would have had one polite person appear at the door to explain to the parents that there had been a complaint that their children were being exposed to a poisonous substance in the home.

The person should have listened to the parents, had a look at the children, and if there was any doubt about the water purifier, ask that its use be discontinued until its safety could be verified. But nothing sensible happened, because the Police State does not have to be sensible.

Instead, a half dozen goon thugs show up. The parents are put outside in the snow for 5 hours while the children are scared to death with questions and then carried away from their home, mother, and father.

In pur Police State countries, this is called Protecting Children. We owe this tyranny to the idiot "child advocates."

It is no longer important to protect children from child molesters, unless they are Catholic child pedophiles. But it is absolutely necessary to protect children from their parents.

So, yes, dear insouciant American fool, whether you have anything to hide or not, you are in grave danger, and so are your children, in Police State America.

You can no longer rely on the Constitution to protect you.

This is the only way that you can protect yourself: grovel before your neighbors, your co-workers, your employees and employers, and, most definitely, before "public authority" and your children, as your children can report you. Don't complain about anything. Do not get involved in protests. Don't make critical comments on the Internet or on your telephone calls.

Don't homeschool. Don't resist vaccines. Turn your backs to leaders who could liberate you as it is too dangerous to risk the failure of liberation. Be an abject, cowardly, obedient, servile member of the enserfed, enslaved American population. Above all, be thankful to Big Brother who protects you from terrorists and Russians.

You, dear insouciant, stupid, American are back on the Plantation. Perhaps that is your natural home. In his masterful A People's History of the United States, Howard Zinn documents that despite their best efforts the exploited and abused American people have never been able to prevail against the powerful private interests that control the government. Whenever in American history the people rise up they are struck down by brute force.

Zinn makes totally clear that "American freedom, democracy, liberty, blah-blah" are nothing but a disguise for the rule over America by money.

Wave the flag, sing patriot songs, see enemies where the government tells you to see them, and above all, never think. Just listen. The government and its prostitute media will tell you what you must believe.

How The CIA Made Google

January 29 2015 | From: [Medium](#)

[Insurge Intelligence](#), a new crowd-funded investigative journalism project, breaks the exclusive story of how the United States intelligence community funded, nurtured and incubated Google as part of a drive to dominate the world through control of information.



Seed-funded by the NSA and CIA, Google was merely the first among a plethora of private sector start-ups co-opted by US intelligence to retain 'information superiority.'

The origins of this ingenious strategy trace back to a secret Pentagon-sponsored group, that for the last two decades has functioned as a bridge between the US government and elites across the business, industry, finance, corporate, and media sectors.

The group has allowed some of the most powerful special interests in corporate America to systematically circumvent democratic accountability and the rule of law to influence government policies, as well as public opinion in the US and around the world. The results have been catastrophic: NSA mass surveillance, a permanent state of global war, and a new initiative to transform the US military into Skynet.

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In the wake of the Charlie Hebdo attacks in Paris, western governments are moving fast to legitimize expanded powers of mass surveillance and controls on the internet, all in the name of fighting terrorism. US and European [politicians](#) have called to protect NSA-style snooping, and to advance the capacity to intrude on internet privacy by outlawing encryption.

One idea is to establish a telecoms partnership that would unilaterally delete content deemed to "fuel hatred and violence" in situations considered "appropriate." Heated discussions are going on at government and parliamentary level to explore cracking down on [lawyer-client](#) confidentiality.

What any of this would have done to prevent the Charlie Hebdo attacks remains a [mystery](#), especially given that we already know the terrorists were on the radar of French intelligence for up to a decade.

There is little new in this story. The 9/11 atrocity was the first of many terrorist attacks, each succeeded by the dramatic extension of draconian state powers at the expense of civil liberties, backed up with the projection of military force in regions identified as hotspots harbouring terrorists. Yet there is little indication that this tried and tested formula has done anything to reduce the danger. If anything, we appear to be locked into a deepening cycle of violence with no clear end in sight.

As our governments push to increase their powers, *Insurge Intelligence* can now reveal the vast extent to which the US intelligence community is implicated in nurturing the web platforms we know today, for the precise purpose of utilizing the technology as a mechanism to fight global 'information war'—a war to legitimize the power of the few over the rest of us. The lynchpin of this story is the corporation that in many ways defines the 21st century with its unobtrusive omnipresence: Google.

Google styles itself as a friendly, funky, user-friendly tech firm that rose to prominence through a combination of skill, luck, and genuine innovation. This is true. But it is a mere fragment of the story. In reality, Google is a smokescreen behind which lurks the US military-industrial complex.

The inside story of Google's rise, revealed here for the first time, opens a can of worms that goes far beyond Google, unexpectedly shining a light on the existence of a parasitical network driving the evolution of the US national security apparatus, and profiting obscenely from its operation.

The Shadow Network

For the last two decades, US foreign and intelligence strategies have resulted in a global 'war on terror' consisting of prolonged military invasions in the Muslim world and comprehensive surveillance of civilian populations. These strategies have been incubated, if not dictated, by a secret network inside and beyond the Pentagon.

Established under the Clinton administration, consolidated under Bush, and firmly entrenched under Obama, this bipartisan network of mostly neoconservative ideologues sealed its dominion inside the US Department of Defense (DoD) by the dawn of 2015, through the operation of an obscure corporate entity outside the Pentagon, but run by the Pentagon.

In 1999, the CIA created its own venture capital investment firm, In-Q-Tel, to fund promising start-ups that might create technologies useful for intelligence agencies. But the inspiration for In-Q-Tel came earlier, when the Pentagon set up its own private sector outfit.

Known as the 'Highlands Forum,' this private network has operated as a bridge between the Pentagon and powerful American elites outside the military since the mid-1990s. Despite changes in civilian administrations, the network around the Highlands Forum has become increasingly successful in dominating US defense policy.

Giant defense contractors like Booz Allen Hamilton and Science Applications International Corporation are sometimes referred to as the 'shadow intelligence community' due to the revolving doors between them and government, and their capacity to simultaneously influence and profit from defense policy.

But while these contractors compete for power and money, they also collaborate where it counts. The Highlands Forum has for 20 years provided an off the record space for some of the most prominent members of the shadow intelligence community to convene with senior US government officials, alongside other leaders in relevant industries.

I first stumbled upon the existence of this network in November 2014, when I reported for VICE's *Motherboard* that US defense secretary Chuck Hagel's newly announced 'Defense Innovation Initiative' was really about [building Skynet](#)—or something like it, essentially to dominate an emerging era of automated robotic warfare.

That story was based on a little-known Pentagon-funded 'white paper' published two months earlier by the National Defense University (NDU) in Washington DC, a leading US military-run institution that, among other things, generates research to develop US defense policy at the highest levels. The white paper clarified the thinking behind the new initiative, and the revolutionary scientific and technological developments it hoped to capitalize on.

The Highlands Forum

The co-author of that NDU white paper is Linton Wells, a 51-year veteran US defense official who served in the Bush administration as the Pentagon's chief information officer, overseeing the National Security Agency (NSA) and other spy agencies. He [still holds](#) active top-secret security clearances, and according to a report by *Government Executive* magazine in 2006 he [chaired the 'Highlands Forum'](#), founded by the Pentagon in 1994.

[New Scientist](#) magazine (paywall) has compared the Highlands Forum to elite meetings like "Davos, Ditchley and Aspen," describing it as "far less well known, yet... arguably just as influential a talking shop." Regular Forum meetings bring together "innovative people to consider interactions between policy and technology. Its biggest successes have been in the development of high-tech network-based warfare."



Linton Wells II (right) former Pentagon chief information officer and assistant secretary of defense for networks, at a recent Pentagon Highlands Forum session. Rosemary Wenchel, a senior official in the US Department of Homeland Security, is sitting next to him

Given Wells' role in such a Forum, perhaps it was not surprising that his defense transformation white paper was able to have such a profound impact on actual Pentagon policy. But if that was the case, why had no one noticed?

Despite being sponsored by the Pentagon, I could find no official page on the DoD website about the Forum. Active and former US military and intelligence sources had never heard of it, and neither did national security journalists. I was baffled.

The Pentagon's Intellectual Capital Venture Firm

In the prologue to his 2007 book, *A Crowd of One: The Future of Individual Identity*, John Clippinger, an MIT scientist of the Media Lab Human Dynamics Group, described how he participated in a "Highlands Forum" gathering, an "invitation-only meeting funded by the Department of Defense and chaired by the assistant for networks and information integration."

This was a senior DoD post overseeing operations and policies for the Pentagon's most powerful spy agencies including the NSA, the Defense Intelligence Agency (DIA), among others. Starting from 2003, the position was transitioned into what is now the undersecretary of defense for intelligence. The Highlands Forum, Clippinger wrote, was founded by a retired US Navy captain named Dick O'Neill. Delegates include senior US military officials across numerous agencies and divisions — "captains, rear admirals, generals, colonels, majors and commanders" as well as "members of the DoD leadership."

What at first appeared to be the Forum's main [website](#) describes Highlands as "an informal cross-disciplinary network sponsored by Federal Government," focusing on "information, science and technology." Explanation is sparse, beyond a single 'Department of Defense' logo.

But Highlands also has [another](#) website describing itself as an "intellectual capital venture firm" with "extensive experience assisting corporations, organizations, and government leaders." The firm provides a "wide range of services, including: strategic planning, scenario creation and gaming for expanding global markets," as well as "working with clients to build strategies for execution." 'The Highlands Group Inc.,' the website says, organizes a whole range of Forums on these issue.

For instance, in addition to the Highlands Forum, since 9/11 the Group runs the 'Island Forum,' an international event held in association with Singapore's Ministry of Defense, which O'Neill oversees as "lead consultant." The Singapore Ministry of Defense website describes the Island Forum as "patterned after" the Highlands Forum organized for the US Department of Defense." Documents leaked by NSA whistleblower Edward Snowden confirmed that Singapore played a key role in permitting the US and Australia to tap [undersea cables](#) to spy on Asian powers like Indonesia and Malaysia.

The Highlands Group website also reveals that Highlands is partnered with one of the most powerful defense contractors in the United States. Highlands is "supported by a network of companies and independent researchers," including "our Highlands Forum partners for the past ten years at SAIC; and the vast Highlands network of participants in the Highlands Forum."

SAIC stands for the US defense firm, Science Applications International Corporation, which changed its name to Leidos in 2013, operating SAIC as a subsidiary. SAIC/Leidos is among the [top 10](#) largest defense contractors in the US, and works closely with the US intelligence community, especially the NSA. According to investigative journalist Tim Shorrock, the first to disclose the vast extent of the privatization of US intelligence with his seminal book *Spies for Hire*, SAIC has a "symbiotic relationship with the NSA: the agency is the company's largest single customer and SAIC is the NSA's largest contractor."

Read the full story at: [Medium](#)

CFR's RAND Corporation: Terror From "Everywhere" Requires More Surveillance

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The end game is to monitor every citizen in real-time.



Three suspected French terrorists and a fourth who allegedly crossed the border into Syria have provided ample opportunity to ramp up the police and surveillance state.

Stephanie Pezard, a [RAND Corporation](#) political scientist with a specialty in French policy, told CBC News there is:

"only so much you can do to prevent attacks that basically can come from everywhere. It's going to be mostly intelligence services that will have to make sure that everyone on their watch list is being watched."

In the United States, the terrorist watch list is massive. The FBI's terrorist Screening Database or TSDB as of 2008 consisted of 400,000 unique names and over 1,000,000 records. Names are provided by the Department of Homeland Security, the State Department, the Justice Department, the Department of Defense and other federal agencies.

Monitoring a small percentage of the names included would require a sprawling intelligence apparatus that would rival East Germany's Stasi, Nazi Germany's Gestapo or the KGB in the Soviet Union.

The NSA is currently the largest and most powerful intelligence organization in the world.

"The NSA will play an integral part in permanent surveillance," writes David Hamilton for the WikiLeaks Press.

"Technological advancements will upgrade the NSA's surveillance capabilities to real time surveillance.

Millions of innocent people have been the subject of surveillance and millions more will become subjects of surveillance."

Not surprisingly, RAND is behind the propaganda effort to radically expand the size and scope of the surveillance grid.

Real-time monitoring of "terrorists," that is say all who pose a serious threat to the establishment, is a primary objective of the global elite.

The end game for the NSA is not merely to monitor a million or so people included in a terror database, but the entire population.

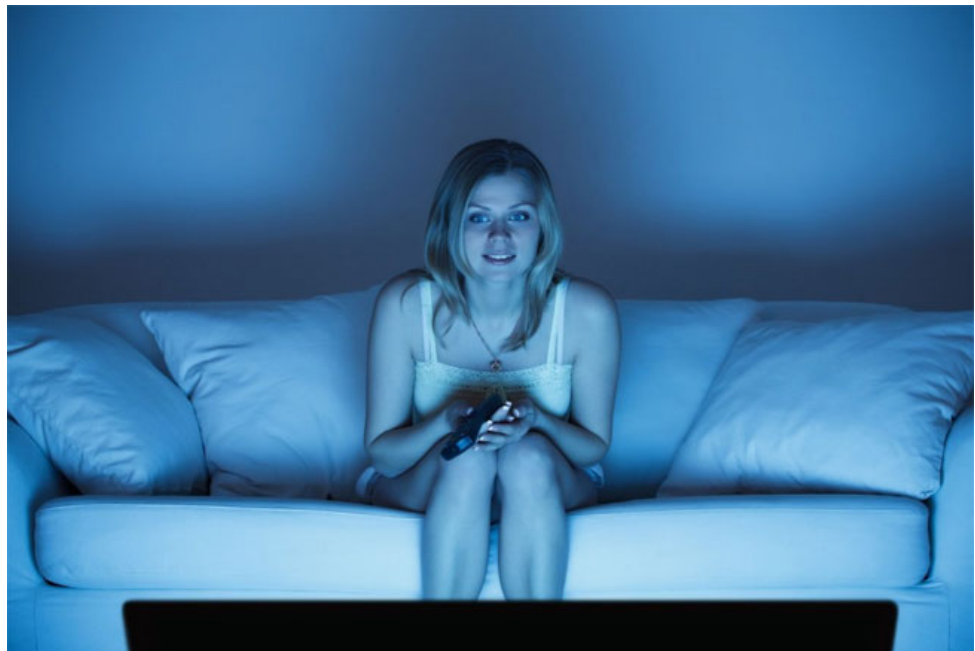
The "RAND National Defense Research Institute is a federally-funded Council on Foreign Relations 'think-tank' sponsored by the Office of the Secretary of Defense and headed by Council on Foreign Relations member Michael D. Rich. Clients include the Pentagon, AT&T, Chase Manhattan Bank, IBM, Republican Party, U.S. Air Force, U.S. Department of Energy and NASA.

The interlocking leadership between the trustees at RAND, and the Ford, Rockefeller, and Carnegie foundations is a classic case of Bilderberg modus operandi," writes Daniel Estulin in his book on the Bilderberg Group.

Is Your TV Spying On You?

January 14 2015 | From: [DailyMail](#)

It sounds like science fiction but many new TVs can watch you - telling advertisers your favourite shows or even filming you on the sofa. And there's no off switch!



You are sitting in bed in your pyjamas, drinking a cup of cocoa. A loved one lies next to you, watching late-night television. Pillow talk is exchanged. An alarm clock is set. Eventually the lights are turned out.

Earlier, you sat on the living-room sofa eating supper, before loading the dishwasher and heading upstairs.

You have, in other words, just enjoyed a perfectly normal night, in a perfectly normal home. The curtains are drawn, the central heating turned up. It's cosy, relaxing and, above all, completely private. Or so you thought.

The truth turns out to be quite the opposite. For on the other side of the world, people you didn't know existed are keeping a beady eye on your every move.

These characters can see what clothes you have been wearing and what food you've eaten. They heard every word you said, and logged every TV show you watched. Some are criminals, others work for major corporations. And now they know your most intimate secrets.

It may sound like a plot summary for a futuristic science-fiction movie. But real-life versions of this Orwellian scenario are being played out every day in towns and cities across the globe — and in most cases the victims have no idea.

At fault is a common electronic device invented nearly a century ago and found in almost every modern household: the domestic television set.

Put simply, our TVs have started spying on us.

Last week, there was a high-profile case in point. An IT consultant called Jason Huntley, who lives in a village near Hull, uncovered evidence that a flat-screen television, which had been sitting in his living room since the summer, was secretly invading his family's privacy.

He began investigating the £400 LG device after noticing that its home screen appeared to be showing him 'targeted' adverts — for cars, and Knorr stock cubes — based on programmes he'd just been watching.

Huntley decided to monitor information that the so-called smart TV — which connects to the internet — was sending and

receiving. He did this by using his laptop effectively as a bridge between his television and the internet receiver, so the laptop was able to show all the data being sucked out of his set.

He soon discovered that details of not just every show he watched but every button he pressed on his remote control were being sent back to LG's corporate headquarters in South Korea.

There, the electronics company appeared to be using its customers' data to make money. A promotional video shown to commercial clients suggested that data was being used to provide 'the ad experience you have always dreamed of'.

The information Huntley's TV had sent — without his knowledge — included the contents of his private digital video collection, which he'd watched on the television. This included camcorder footage of family celebrations containing images of his wife and two young children.

Most worrying of all, the device continued sending such information to Korea even after Huntley had adjusted the television's default settings to 'opt out' of data sharing.

Huntley wrote about the findings on his blog. After his case was picked up by mainstream news outlets, LG announced an investigation. 'Customer privacy is a top priority,' the firm said. 'We are looking into reports that certain viewing information on LG smart TVs was shared without consent.'

LG has also removed its promotional video about targeted advertising from its website.

The Information Commissioner's Office says it is now investigating the firm for a 'possible breach' of the Data Protection Act. Jason Huntley, meanwhile, tells me he is 'very suspicious and also a little worried' by the affair.

'I don't think we've heard the last of this. Who knows what else these televisions are doing that we don't know about?'

It doesn't take much digging to find out. Talk to any IT security expert and they will tell you that Huntley's discovery is probably the tip of the iceberg.

What's to blame is the continuing rise of smart televisions, which account for most new TV sets sold and are predicted to be in more than half of British homes by 2016. These high-tech devices differ from traditional televisions in that they are not just passive boxes that receive a signal and transfer it to a backlit screen.

Instead, they are essentially computers that connect to the internet — and so also send information back the other way.

In theory, this can be extremely useful. For example, many smart TVs have shopping 'apps' to access Amazon. They connect to iTunes. They allow us to watch YouTube, instantly download films via Netflix, stream BBC shows on iPlayer, and talk to friends using the video phone link Skype.

But in practice, like almost every type of computer, they can be all-too-easily hacked. And unlike PCs, almost all of which have fairly good anti-virus 'firewalls', smart TVs have little or no such software. Indeed, most have been designed so that outside software — including anti-virus programmes — can never be installed.

This year, Luigi Auriemma, an IT security researcher and computer programmer from Malta, demonstrated the risks that these devices pose when he showed it was possible to hack into several types of Samsung smart television.

After accessing the devices via the internet, Auriemma was able to control them: turning the TVs off and on, and secretly accessing data they held about a user's viewing habits.

Had he been a criminal, he could also have obtained details of the credit cards that users had uploaded to access pay-per-view TV, download films or use shopping apps.

Other experts recently made the chilling discovery that it is possible to remotely access the video cameras built into the front of thousands of smart televisions, and spy on the users in their own home.

One such expert is Kurt Stammberger, who works for the IT security firm Mocana. He says the company was recently asked by a television manufacturer to do 'penetration tests' on its devices.

'We weren't just able to find out what someone was watching, and had watched,' he says. 'We could also install "spyware" that could, if they had a video camera, allow us to see through that camera — without even activating the little light that indicates it's on.'

'It was a fairly straightforward thing to do. People who work in IT often place tape over their computer's camera lens [in a laptop they are usually set into the inside of the lid] unless they want to actually use it, because it's so common to hack them. We should all do the same with smart TVs.'

Such an attack, which Stammberger describes as 'frighteningly easy' to mount, could provide voyeuristic hackers with a chance to snoop on unsuspecting home-owners in their living rooms or bedrooms.

You have only to witness the extraordinary success of the critically acclaimed Channel 4 show Gogglebox, in which consenting families allow the viewing public to watch them watching television, to appreciate how enticing that prospect could be.

More commercially minded hackers could use such an attack to steal commercial secrets. It could even be used to spy on foreign powers.

'It's a serious prospect and I would be very surprised if the Government ever puts in a big order for TVs from, for example, a Chinese manufacturer such as Huawei,' adds Stammberger, referring to the giant corporation that has been banned in America because of fears over espionage.

'But supply chains these days are so long and so complex that it's very rare to buy an electronic device that doesn't have some sort of Chinese component in it.'

Gangs based largely in Eastern Europe and Russia, meanwhile, are already using so-called 'data-mining' programmes to trawl the internet looking for smart TVs in which owners have entered their credit card details. A single search can yield thousands of results.

According to Roger Grimes, who has written eight books on IT security and worked in the field for 28 years, the gangs then sell lists of hacked credit card numbers to fellow criminals.

Card details that were obtained within the past 24 hours sell for around £2.20 each. Older ones are cheaper because there is more chance the cards could have been changed or stopped.

'What we are starting to see now is really just a foretaste of what's going to be happening in the next couple of decades,' says Grimes.

'Thanks firstly to mobile devices, and now smart TVs, we are entering a brave new world where there will be computers everywhere. Bad guys will take advantage of that.'

And we may not even be safe in our own living rooms.

A Short History Lesson: From 9/11 To Warrantless Spying In New Zealand

December 12 2014 | From: [AotearoaAWiderPerspective](#)

I found myself writing a comment on The Standard this morning in reaction to their publishing Brian Gould's piece explaining why Labour outsmarted National when they voted with them to allow warrantless spying on Kiwi's.



I found myself writing about New Zealand's Labour party lead by Andrew Little compromising on the right of New Zealanders to be free of unlimited "Governmental" spying on them and the history leading up to these law changes.

I found myself writing about Andrew Little's and Labour's reprehensible and dangerous lack of insight in the Geopolitical developments over the last 13 years. In fact since the events of 9/11.

Let me explain what I mean with **unlimited** spying:

When you allow a "Government" even the tiniest window of unwarranted (= uncontrolled by the third arm of Government = Elite using police or other spy agencies for their own ends) spying on it's population you might as well give them unlimited spy time. Spying is done in secret and you can count on it the clock will only start ticking when somebody finds out they are being spied on.

History is filled with examples of what happens if a people accept the fact that their "Government" spies on them. It **always** ends bad and it is **always** used to crush dissent. It is also **always** brought in under the exact same motivation:

There is an enemy in our midst and we are in danger. In order to make sure the enemy doesn't hurt us we have to be able to spy on everyone.

The difference between what populations hear and what "Governments" mean by this is also **always** the same.

The populations hears: We, the "Government" and you, the righteous, solid, law abiding citizens of this country, are under threat from the enemy within (Communists, Catholics, Protestants, Capitalists, Jews, Muslims, take your pick [throughout history](#)). As solid, law abiding citizens you have nothing to fear. This is **your** "Government" protecting you.

What the "Government" is actually saying: We (the "Government") are under threat and the enemy could be who ever we are saying it is. And yes, that could be you, the solid, law abiding citizen who finally cracks after enforced austerity, also known as looting by the elite represented by the aforementioned "Government", erosion of civil liberties, endless wars perpetrated by the "Government" and other things that drive normal, solid, law abiding people to a breaking point.

The population subjected to this kind of behaviour **always** finds out what the "Government" actually meant when their family members and loved ones start to disappear. Because the consequence of allowing your "Government" to spy on its population. It is **always** more repression as the population starts to wake up to their new reality and starts to protest when innocents die or disappear.

So here is what wrote on the Standard:

Just a bit of history (I know, who needs history but you know history repeats itself if you don't learn from it so bear with me Iprent). Around 1999 a thesis was published. It was called [Rebuilding America's defenses](#). It was published by a group of what we now know to be dual citizen neo-liberals calling themselves the [Project for a New American Century](#). In it they called for a "New Pearl Harbor".

They got their New Pearl Harbor on 9/11 and a law was quickly rolled out and pushed through under urgency. It was called the Patriot law. Turns out that law was written [long before 9/11 happened](#).

The result was wholesale spying, TSA groin groping at airports, a no fly list, the wholesale militarization of the US police to name a few of the changes in the US.

Now what does that have to do with Andrew Little's and Labour's stance on the illegal "spy at will" laws (Being safe from governmental spying in your own home is a very basic human right) they just voted in, you ask?

Their compliance with the law changes proposed by our US sock puppet prime Minister show that they are dangerously naive in assuming that the law will only be used to spy on possible Muslim terrorists.

It shows that they are dangerously naive and still suffer from "We are Islands very far away from everything else so we don't have to learn about global politics and what happened in other countries that have so far accepted unwarranted spying on their own citizens as a result of what happened on 9/11itis".

Even if you believe the claptrap of what we have been told about who perpetrated 9/11 and why, it behooves the party Brian Gould calls THE OPPOSITION to be aware of how spy laws and no fly lists have affected the populations of other countries. If they can't look over the border and see the bigger picture they have no place in our government!

Additionally you might want to ask yourself why Brian Gould as a member of the MSM is grooming his audience to once again look at the other head of the same dragon as the SOLE opposition party. It seems to me to be a clear case of "you will elect the people we have chosen for you to elect".

Perhaps our puppet masters are aware that the Teflon on John Key is wearing thin and they know the populace is restless and wants a change.

At least they now know that in Andrew Little they are getting a "reasonable" man willing to "compromise" the privacy of the people of New Zealand away in favor of "safety".

It all reminds me of a quote from Benjamin Franklin: "Those who are willing to give up essential liberty to obtain a little temporary safety deserve neither liberty nor safety."

We have just taken the next step on Naomi Wolfs [list towards Fascism](#) and nobody seems to notice. Least of all Andrew Little and the Labour party.

New Zealand Prime Minister Uses Bogus Islamic State Threat As Excuse To Ramp Up National Security And Surveillance Powers

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It is well known outside the cabal-run corporate media that the "Islamic State" is in fact a CIA / MOSSAD run front used as a problem-reaction-solution vehicle to further the globalist, fascist Zionist agenda. Also see: [US Allies Against ISIS Are Actually ISIS' Main Allies](#)



On the watch list

Government agencies had a watch list of between 30 and 40 people of concern in the "foreign fighter" context, he said.

"These are people in or from New Zealand who are in various ways participating in extremist behaviour."

In addition to those on the watch list, another 30 or 40 were on a list of people requiring further investigation.

He said five New Zealand citizens or residents were known to be fighting in Syria but the number fighting in the region could be larger because dual citizens or New Zealanders could have left from other countries.

Others were Isis supporters who had tried to travel to Iraq and Syria to fight and who had had their passports cancelled.

Mr Key also announced a funding boost of \$7 million for Security Intelligence Service across the current and next financial year to increase the number of staff to monitor and investigate foreign fighters.

He set out plans to change the law to give SIS greater powers of surveillance including video surveillance on private property, with a warrant, which the police but the SIS cannot do.

He also want the SIS to have the ability to conduct surveillance without a warrant for 48 hours in situations deemed urgent. It can take at least 48 hours to prepare paperwork for a warrant.

Game changer

Mr Key said in such cases, if the warrant was not granted, any material collected would be destroyed.

New legislation would also give the Minister of Internal Affairs power to cancel passports for up to three years, and temporarily suspend passports for up to 10 working days in urgent cases.

Mr Key described the changes as "responsible and narrow" and said they would be subject to a sunset clause.

He said the rise of such a well-resourced, globally-focused terrorist group which was highly skilled in social media recruitment was a "game changer" for this country. "ISIL exposes us to a type of threat that we lack both the legislative tools and resources to combat."

He was limited in what information he could reveal, but said there were individuals here who were attracted to carrying out similar attacks to those seen in Australia and Canada.

Mr Key said he wanted to stress that none of the people causing concern in New Zealand were representative of the Muslim community as a whole.

"The Muslim community is a peaceful one, which makes a valuable contribution to New Zealand."

"I know the vast majority of Muslim New Zealanders are as distressed by the actions of ISIL and its violent extremist message as anyone else."

Parliament this afternoon debated Mr Key's speech and proposed law changes.

Acting Labour leader Annette King said Labour broadly supported the law changes and said they "appear to be justified".

She warned that the 48-hour pre-warrant surveillance power by the SIS should not become the norm, however.

The law changes will have a sunset clause, pending a major review of intelligence agencies and their powers in the middle of next year.

She welcome the fact that the bill, once introduced, would be going to a select committee where, she said, the law would be closely examined to see if it was workable, necessary and framed appropriately.

Comment: The reality that history proves is that government never relinquish power once gained. Most of the underling politicians involved in this mess are too lowly to even be aware of what they are putting together. The draconian march towards fascism is being implemented piece by piece, leveraged by invented false-flag threats.

While most of the sheeple are still seemingly incapable of thinking for themselves, behaving like 'deer in the headlights' - the tide is turning and more and more are starting to realise that these sorts of powers, as history shows, are intended by 'those at the top' to one day be deployed indiscriminately, carte blanche - across the board.

Read the full story at: [NewZealandHerald](http://www.nzherald.co.nz)

The Former Head Of The NSA And CIA Makes Statements That Imply John Key Is Lying About Mass Surveillance

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In a 3rd Degree report from TV3 that goes right inside both the NSA and GCSB, spies respond to mass surveillance allegations. The NSA confirms it has operatives working in New Zealand.



The Government Communications Security Bureau (GCSB) has responded to election week allegations it carries out mass surveillance on New Zealanders, denying its programmes are for anything other than cyber security.

Senior spies at the GCSB's headquarters in Wellington came forward this week, speaking with 3rd Degree, because of concerns of what they see as misconceptions among the New Zealand public.

Allegations by American whistleblower Edward Snowden, a former worker at US spy organisation the National Security Agency (NSA), claim the NSA maintains bases in New Zealand, collects metadata about New Zealanders and has worked with the GCSB to tap the Southern Cross internet cable to extract data.

For the full story and video [click here](#).

Surveillance: The Hidden Ways You're Tracked

October 29 2014 | From: [BBC](#)

Just how much of your life is watched? Security expert Bruce Schneier points out that it is more than most people think, says Chris Baraniuk.



Do you have secrets? Security expert Bruce Schneier has little patience for those who say they don't.

When asked about government and corporate surveillance, there are some who shrug their shoulders and say they have nothing to fear because they have nothing to hide. Schneier's response? "I ask them their salary and they won't tell me. I ask them about their sexual fantasy world and they won't tell me.

The whole 'I have nothing to hide' thing is stupid, that's a dumb comment," he says. What's more, your day-to-day behaviour is monitored in ways you wouldn't even realise, so these details and many more could be open for all to see – and use against you. And that's a problem, even if you happen to trust your government to use the data for good.

Schneier, who spoke at BBC Future's World-Changing Ideas Summit on 21 October (see video, above), helped journalist Glenn Greenwald analyse Edward Snowden's leaked documents from the National Security Agency. The controversy was recently documented in the [film Citizenfour](#), and consciously or not, Schneier's sentiments echo Snowden's own words in an early email to the film's director Laura Poitras:

"Every cell phone tower you pass, friend you keep, article you write, site you visit, subject line you type, and packet you route, is in the hands of a system whose reach is unlimited but whose safeguards are not."

Indeed, pretty much everything you do can be tracked now, says Schneier. "Everything involves a computer. You know that your Kindle tracks how fast you read, right? Everything you do online, everything you do on your phone, everything you do

that involves any kind of payment system."

As an example, Schneier told the World-Changing Ideas Summit that things as simple as [taxi passenger and fare data](#) could be easily de-anonymised once combined with location data, as the data analytics firm Neustar showed recently. Visit a strip club, for instance, and it'd no longer be private.

In general, assume your movements are being watched. It's a fact already made glaringly obvious in London, when the local transport authority's [public bicycle data was unwittingly made public](#). Individual commuters' journeys were easily chalked up on Google maps.

Sophisticated smartphone applications are now capable of building up detailed pictures not just of our location, but the context of our environment. In a recent paper, researchers provided the [example of an app called CarSafe](#) which is able to learn the driving habits of users by interpreting data from the two cameras on modern smartphones.

Schneier also pointed out at the summit that many of the [mobile phone towers in your vicinity](#) may not have been set up by your network provider, but governments – both domestic and foreign – who want to find out who's walking by and what they're up to. The secretive nature of these masts makes it difficult to know how they are used, he says.

"The British government will not even acknowledge that they use them. We know they do, but they won't even acknowledge that. The FBI does acknowledge that they use them, but is very secretive about how," he explains. "Someone found that there are [80-100 of these in Washington DC](#) not run by the US government. We don't know who's running them."

Public wi-fi raises yet more issues, since routers that pick up your mobile phone signal are now able to triangulate your position accurately enough to tell which [aisle you're in at the supermarket](#). If the "MAC address" of your device – a unique identification code for your device visible to a network – can be matched to you then whoever has that data might know very intricate details of where you, personally, have spent your time.

"If the government said you have to have a tracking device, for certain you would rebel," notes Schneier. "But the government doesn't have to say that because you do it willingly and they just get a copy of the data."

And so might anyone else. The same vulnerabilities exploited by intelligence agencies could be similarly exploited by corporations, insurance firms, health providers, or even malicious hackers, criminals or terrorists – the very people surveillance is supposed to target.

"We need to choose between security and surveillance," Schneier told the summit audience. It's just not possible to build electronic devices that keep data secret from everybody except, say, government officials trying to track the movements of terrorists. "Everybody gets to spy or nobody gets to spy."

Fundamental rights

This is why Schneier argues that people have a right to defend themselves from tracking. That means [the right to take protective technical measures](#), communicate via encrypted systems or browse the Internet [anonymously using services such as Tor](#).

But recently the rapidly increasing popularity of such tools has ignited consternation at the FBI. [James Comey, the Bureau's director](#), has said that encryption offered by companies like Apple and Google deprives law enforcement authorities of information which could be crucial to solving crimes or saving lives.

For Tom Gaffney, technical director at [information security firm F-Secure](#), which markets software that protects users' privacy online, the comments rang hollow. "Effectively, the government is forcing people down the route of using these tools because of their lack of transparency, their desire to track every bit of our data rather than concentrating on criminals," he says.

Gaffney also points out that data collected by private companies, whether encrypted or not, can still be held more or less forever, and there's no way of knowing for sure how it will be used or sold in the future.

The point of recognising all of this is to better understand the consequences of using free services which rely on monetising our data via advertising to remain profitable. And Schneier argues that all government tracking should be legal and targeted to individuals already suspected of criminal activity, rather than having universal surveillance through which private experiences belonging to millions of innocent citizens are recorded and stored.

The information we create as we navigate the world, both physically and digitally, is sometimes referred to as a "data footprint". This sounds relatively benign, which is why the term is a poor metaphor.

The true data footprint you leave behind everywhere you go and after practically everything you do is much, much more detailed than a trace in the sand. It's who you are: from your most public persona right down to your most private moments.

Glenn Greenwald: Why Privacy Matters

October 24 2014 | From: [TED](#)

Glenn Greenwald was one of the first reporters to see - and write about - the Edward Snowden files, with their revelations about the United States' extensive surveillance of private citizens.



In this searing talk, Greenwald makes the case for why you need to care about privacy, even if you're "not doing anything you need to hide."

Glenn Greenwald is the journalist who has done the most to expose and explain the Edward Snowden files.

Why you should listen

As one of the first journalists privy to NSA whistleblower Edward Snowden's archives, Glenn Greenwald has a unique window into the inner workings of the NSA and Britain's GCHQ. A vocal advocate for civil liberties in the face of growing post-9/11 authoritarianism, Greenwald was a natural outlet for Snowden, who'd admired his combative writing style in Salon and elsewhere.

Glenn Greenwald
Why privacy matters

Since his original Guardian exposés of Snowden's revelations, Pulitzer winner Greenwald continues to stoke public debate on surveillance and privacy both in the media, on [The Intercept](#), and with his new book No Place to Hide -- and suggests that there are more shocking revelations to come.

Five Eyes 'Spy Fee': NZ Annually Forks Out Over \$100 Million For Intelligence Funding

October 22 2014 | From: [RT](#)

The taxpayers in New Zealand are spending \$103 million a year on intelligence as a kind of membership fee for the country to be part of the Five Eyes surveillance club together with the US, UK, Australia and Canada, a declassified report said.



The so-called '[Murdoch Report](#)' from 2009 was made public on the request of the New Zealand Herald newspaper under the country's Official Information Act.

The document, which was put together by former Zealand's Secretary of Foreign Affairs and Trade, Simon Murdoch, reviewed the operations of the country's spy agencies after 9/11 when their intelligence-sharing relations with the US were undergoing a major transformation.

The report indicated that – since September 11, 2001 – the New Zealand's intelligence community had doubled in staff numbers and more than tripled in funding, reaching to \$103 million.

According to Murdoch, this money should be viewed:

"In the context of the annual 'subscription' paid by New Zealand to belong to the 5-Eyes community whose annual capital investment and operating outlays would dwarf ours".

"It helps explain why the niche contributions that we can make to 5-Eyes burden sharing are so important and why agency heads strive to be responsive to partner demand," he added.

The issue of New Zealand Intelligence Corps (NZIC) working hard on behalf of its Five Eyes partners is raised in several places in the report.

New Zealand had to prove itself as a "niche contributor with capacity constraints, but some high quality competencies," Murdoch said.

The document listed a range of security challenges faced by New Zealand, including cyber threats to IT infrastructure, "imported or homegrown Islamic militancy" as well as the spread of weapons of mass destruction.

Threats also included "trans-boundary criminality, civilizational friction, and resource rivalry and energy brinkmanship."

New Zealand Herald said that large sections of the report it received were blanked out, particularly, the areas, which appear to focus on the relationships with Five Eyes' partners.

The country's intelligence agencies have always tried to avoid disclosure of the contribution they make to the Five Eyes alliance.

However, there is speculation that New Zealand is involved in satellite interception due to its favorable geographical positioning in the Pacific Ocean.

The island state's humble reputation is also believed to have been used as a staging point for electronic spying on countries that are less friendly towards the US or UK.

The Five Eyes alliance was formed after World War II so that the British Commonwealth and the US could share intelligence information on the Soviet Union and its allies.

The 'Five Eyes' term has its origins as a shorthand for the "AUS/CAN/NZ/UK/US EYES ONLY" classification level.

After 9/11, the alliance further expanded its surveillance capabilities, making monitoring the Internet one of its top priorities.

New Zealand: Another "Five Eyes" Country On The UN Security Counsel And One More Step Closer To War?

October 18 2014 | From: [AotearoaAWiderPerspective](#) / [Stuff](#)

World affairs: Containing the "madness" of Islamic State militants, preventing a repeat of what has occurred in Gaza this year, and finding a lasting solution to tensions in the Ukraine are among New Zealand's priorities if elected. New Zealand's priorities as a security counsel member.



With the election of New Zealand, sold to us like we actually have an independent vote, another five eye country hell bent on war in the Middle East has ascended to the Security Counsel.

Our Priorities? Yep, fighting the "mad" Muslims, more bombs on Gaza cause they are mad there too, NATO to the rescue of Ukraine and getting rid of Veto rights for "the bad guys" hidden under the "All veto states are culpable" meme so read China and Russia.

We will be a good little state serving the Empire where countries such as Spain and Venezuela will give the US some serious headaches I hope. World war III here we come!

In a vote at the UN's New York headquarters on Thursday local time (Friday morning NZT), New Zealand picked up 145 votes, claiming one of the "Western Europe and other nations" seats – ahead of Turkey and Spain – in the first round of voting.

New Zealand will take its seat on the council for two years, starting on January 1, 2015. The last time New Zealand sat on the council was 1993-94. It had earlier stints in 1953/54 and 1966.

It has been hailed a victory for small states by Prime Minister John Key, who said it came after hard work over a decade lobbying for the seat.

"We have worked very hard on the bid for close to a decade because we believe that New Zealand can make a positive difference to world affairs and provide a unique and independent voice at the world's top table."

"It has been more than 20 years since New Zealand was last on the Council and we are ready to contribute again."

"It was a tough campaign against Spain and Turkey, two much bigger countries and close friends."

Read more at: [Stuff](#)

Sophisticated Surveillance Coming To Auckland

October 2 2014 | From: [Stuff](#)

Surveillance technology that uses high definition cameras and software that can put names to faces and owners to cars is coming to Auckland. The surveillance has the capability to also scan social media and news websites.



Auckland Transport, the regional transport provider, announced the multi-million dollar deal in June, and California's Hewlett-Packard Development Company said today it has the contract.

No dollar sum is given. They call it a "visionary Big Data" project and in a statement said Auckland has selected HP "to drive groundbreaking future cities initiative".

All the data gathered by the cameras will be processed by HP cloud servers based in Palo Alto, California.

Auckland Transport's Chief Information Officer Roger Jones is quoted by HP as saying: "The safety and well-being of our citizens is always our top priority and the Future Cities initiative is a big step in the right direction".

"Only HP could comprehensively deliver the custom solution, expertise and ecosystem at this scale to transform our vision into reality."

The vast amount of data including text, images, audio and real-time video will be analysed by HP's system.

"The system will leverage data from a variety of sources, including thousands of security and traffic management cameras, a vast network of road and environmental sensors as well as real-time social media and news feeds," HP said.

"We are proud to work with such an innovative and forward-thinking government agency like Auckland Transport," HP's Big Data group manager Colin Mahony said.

An Auckland Transport spokesman said there were currently five video systems and this move would consolidate things into one processing system.

"We are not installing new cameras, this is a back end system for the approximately 800 cameras we have access to covering intersections, railway and busway stations."

"The system will be used to monitor traffic flows, vandalism and safety. We will not be using any capability which identifies faces or number plates."

He said Auckland Transport was in ongoing discussions with the Privacy Commissioner and would not proceed until all protocols had been signed off on.

Auckland Council's memorandum of understanding, which was used to create the contract, provides draft "Surveillance Principles".

It refers to live feeds and says these should be trained on "specific crime and safety hot-spots", traffic management areas and real-time matters being investigated or responded to by police.

The system...

"should not be used for surveillance or monitoring of specific individuals (whether or not identifiable by name, and whether not facilitated by supporting technology) except in respect of specific criminal acts or organised crime or other reasonably suspected criminal behaviour (including terrorism) on the basis of such evidence or reasonable suspicion of criminal offending."

... the principles state..

Police are also told they should not provide access to the data to any other agencies in New Zealand or abroad except where that complies in all respects with the terms of these surveillance principles and New Zealand law.

John Key: "You Want To Spy? You Make The "Business" Plan, I'll Change The Law!"

September 16 2014 | From: [AotearoaAWiderPerspective](#)

When David Farrar on Kiwi blog alleges that Sir Bruce Ferguson Agrees with John Key and that the GCSB never collected whole sale data on all New Zealanders and that is saying something because Ferguson is not a fan of the Prime Minister and therefor it must mean Kim Dotcom, Glen Greenwald and Snowden must be full of shit he is doing what he has alsway done: Lying Spinning.



You see, Sir Bruce Ferguson was the GCSB chef until 2011. By the time the GCSB illegally spied on Kim Dotcom he had left the building and it was Hugh Wolfensohn who was acting director at the time who had "authorized" the illegal probes. Not just on Kim Dotcom but also on around 80 other New Zealanders.

What Snowden is testifying too is the fact that John Key presided over the development of a "Business" plan for whole sale data collection in 2012 AFTER Sir Bruce Ferguson had left and before the date of 8 May 2013 at which John Key presented the change in law required to enable wholesale spying legally

Mr Key said cyber attacks in 2011 led the Cabinet to approve an investigation into wider cyber protection which he stopped in March 2013.

Wider cyber protection I hope you will agree with me is just a spin name for wholesale spying on an entire population.

Leading up to the "Moment of truth" event John Key at first denied that there was wholesale data gathering going but that is not the issue here.

The issue is that the Prime minister of this country was involved in organizing wholesale spying on his population by a FOREIGN and very controversial spying agency (NSA) with the help of a NSA financed group (GCSB) to whom he appointed a hand picked dare I say it HENCHMAN and former schoolmate Ian Fletcher in what Sir Bruce Ferguson said was a very disturbing manner at a time this was highly illegal and without telling his population.

He also told his population that there would be not way the amendment to the law would enable anybody to collect wholesale data while he knew very well that it would.

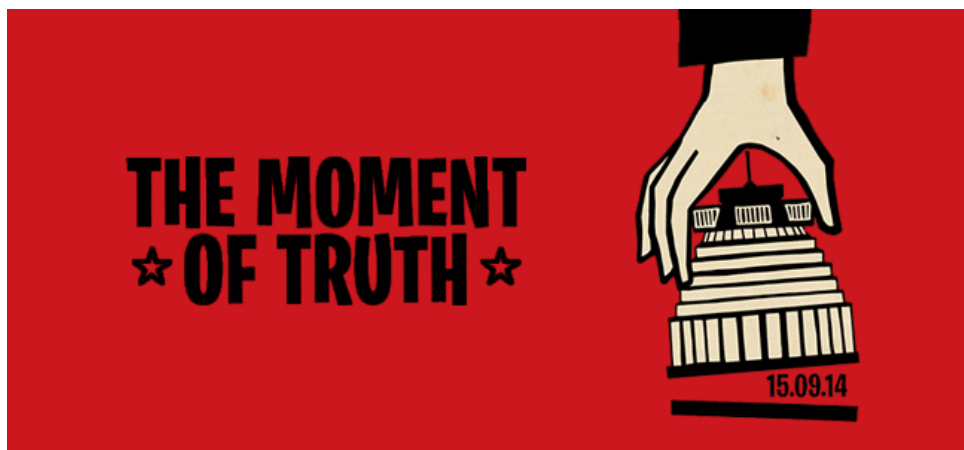
The amendment was passed under urgency which is essentially a very nasty way of bullying laws into existence without due process in the manner used by the National party.

You have to ask yourself the question as to why John Key who came here to help New Zealand or so he said, made it possible for foreign intelligence gatherers to collect large amounts of data from people who are not accused of being engaged in any criminal activities. It is clearly not in New Zealand's interest to have their privacy being invaded in such a wholesale manner.

In Holland we have a saying: U vraagt, wij draaien. It essentially stands for: you tell me what you want me to do and I'll jump. The question is who asked and who did John Key jump for?

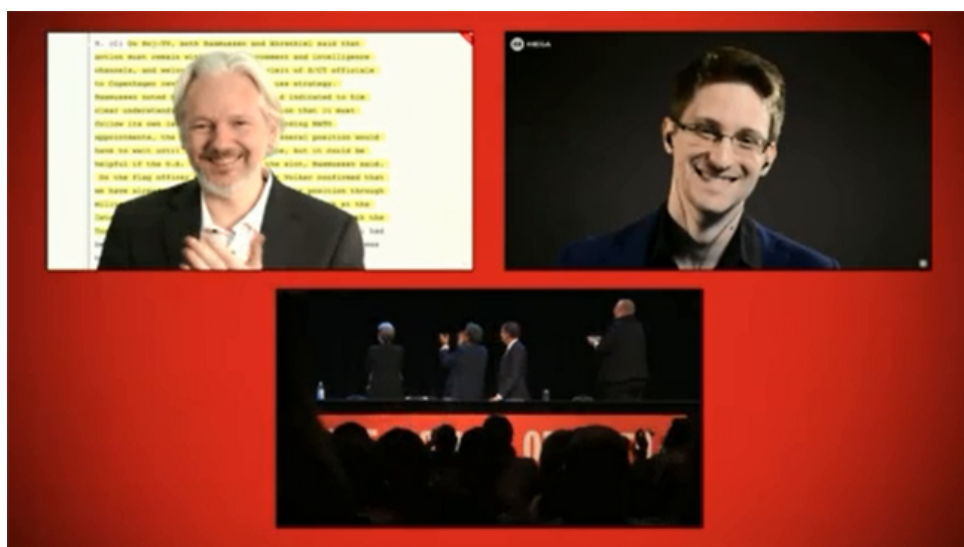
Dotcom's 'Moment Of Truth': With Glenn Greenwald, Edward Snowden, Julian Assange, Bob Amsterdam And Kim Dotcom

September 15 2014 | From: [WakeUpKiwi](#)



The following is a brief summary taken as-it-happened: (See below for video)

Laila Harre introduced the panel and speaks about democracy and the global importance of this event, making reference to the 'Powers that Were'.



Glenn Greenwald

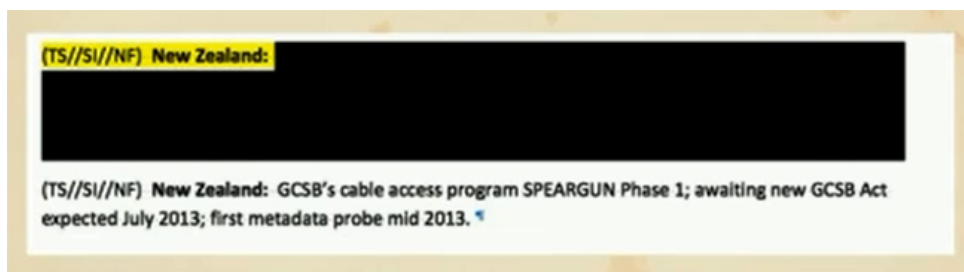
Greenwald gave Key a fairly good dressing down over his unprofessional remarks ('henchman' and 'loser') and his knee-jerk reaction to what Key suspected might be revealed tonight. He noted that Key has responded by de-classifying information that had selectively been 'classified' without being actually declared a risk to national security.

He noted that despite the Prime Minister stating that Greenwald is being paid to be here, he is not. Greenwald turned down financial compensation and asked that his usual speaking fee be donated to charity.

Greenwald pointed out that while people have different opinions on Edward Snowden, the quality and accuracy of the information Snowden released has never been questioned.

He said that while Key said that mass surveillance on New Zealanders was only a proposal that was ultimately dismissed, internal discussion within the NSA termed "Project Speargun" as underway, with Phase One (the undersea cable connections) being completed.

Greenwald pointed out that Key lied blatantly that the new internet bill would give the government any new powers for data collection.



Greenwald comments that the assumption was made that the law would pass in time such that actions taken by the

government that were illegal at the time, would be covered once the legislation came into effect.

In his summary, he makes reference to Key's statement regarding resignation and the information recently disclosed.

Edward Snowden

Snowden pointed out that the NSA actually has facilities in New Zealand that John Key is aware of, one of those being in Auckland and one further north.



He described his most recent role at the NSA and spoke about [XKeyscore](#) and how it operates within the FVEY (Five Eyes) Network comprised of the security services of the US, UK, Canada, Australia and New Zealand.

He described how the NSA has access to everyone's data, including how he could go about reading John Key's email and how he knows mass surveillance is happening in New Zealand as part of the NSA network is located here in NZ.

Snowden questioned Key's decisions in determining what New Zealanders should and should not know about data collection - and his motives for sudden document de-classification.

He asked the question, 'why did the release of this information not matter last year when New Zealanders' rights were on the line, but it is relevant now that one persons [the Prime Minister's] reputation is on the line?'

Snowden reiterated that the NSA's proposed programs that were not legal in NZ at the time, and while they were illegally underway - said that NZ needed to pass new legislation in order to make the actions legal. And so a foreign power, the US, by way of the NSA - is dictating law in NZ.

Julian Assange

After a humorous moment with a vacuum cleaner, Assange pays tribute to New Zealand's own Nicky Hager for paving the way to this type of information release in the early 1990's with his book [Secret Power](#).



He goes on to discuss the Five Eyes Alliance and how New Zealand, in conjunction with the other Five Eyes countries have tried to go about creating a new structure of civilisation - and how the people of New Zealand are not likely to back the actions of their government in the creation of such an Orwellian undertaking - should they be aware of it.

Assange noted that the 'powers that be' within the GCSB have exchanged the rights of New Zealanders in order to have this position within the Five Eyes Alliance. New Zealand is seen as a junior partner by some, however it is equal in status to the other countries in the alliance, except the United States.

He noted that covert agencies are not to be trusted as there is no scrutiny of them.

Dotcom thanked Snowden and Assange for what they are doing for all internet users worldwide.

Assange pointed out that all three of them (Dotcom, Snowden and himself) share the same prosecutor. He referenced that fact that the US is making efforts for their laws to be applied worldwide.

They are applying their laws in NZ, taking control of the New Zealand police force and attempting to dictate extraditions - the US effectively annexing New Zealand by way of the major power factions in Washington DC. This becomes a problem for the whole world, with 69 nations being called into extradition cases by the the NSA in Alexandria, Virginia.

Dotcom notes that there are two ways we can fight surveillance, the first being politically, and the second being encryption.

Both Julian and Edward were connected to the broadcast via Mega's new fully encrypted video conferencing solution.

Bob Amsterdam

Amsterdam made reference to Key playing golf with Obama after the New Year holiday in Hawaii. He notes ["free trade"](#) and how Canada is now under 80% foreign ownership.



He warns that the TPP Agreement would see the loss of New Zealand's sovereignty and how this ["free trade"](#) agreement is driven by vested interests and Hollywood, forcing other countries to change their Intellectual Property laws to suit these interests.

Greenwald warns that with Key's background as a currency trader [with Merrill Lynch], he is now playing with a limited number of chips and is improvising, with one of those chips being New Zealand law.

He noted that the New Zealand Law Society complained to the United Nations about our governments use of expediency in passing these laws.

He stated also:

"As I hear the use of the word 'terror' on the streets of Auckland - who is attacking New Zealand?"

Our governments are trying to alienate us from each other and they are using terror to invade our homes, and to invade our internet accounts and to invade our most private constitutional rights.

These trade representatives have agreed amongst themselves that they need secrecy so we don't get pissed off - and they have that secrecy for four years.

In a democracy is that really how these trade agreements should be undertaken?

He points out that our governments have agreed to this and that is how these agreements are taking place.

There is an exportation of American law and a militarisation of justice.

Amsterdam referenced the topic of dirty politics and observed that what is happening here in New Zealand now is like Watergate with email.

He suggests a Royal Inquiry into the behaviour of the Key government.

Amsterdam also observed that in the era of the internet, our Prime Minister, (who is inherently a trader who doesn't adhere to the fundamental principles of human rights) that with what was done with the raid on Dotcoms home in a democratic society - **the leader of that government should have resigned on that day.**

Add to that, the recently uncovered information; as a country we really need to come together and put the feet of the next government to the fire - that what are or fundamental rights cannot be taken away.

History shows that when a government becomes empowered with information that it will ultimately turn on its own citizens.

"It is time to stop the TPPA under its present conditions."

Laila Harre Sums up

Harre thanks Nicky Hager for kicking off this whole sequence of events with his book [Dirty Politics](#) and the framework that it provided.

She advised that with this education that people bear all of this in mind when the Prime Minister finds his diary and begins to make his excuses tomorrow.



Video: (Duration is 2:06 - Broadcast begins at 0:22)

The Moment of Truth



Overview: GCSB Has Engaged In Mass Surveillance Of New Zealanders - Greenwald

September 14 2014 | From: [NationalBusinessReview](#)

An overview of the developing story in the lead-up to the Dotcom / Assange / Greenwald event tomorrow, Monday September 15.

Also see: [Glenn Greenwald Rattles New Zealand With 'Spying' Claims](#) From RT



American journalist Glenn Greenwald says John Key's repeated claim that the GCSB has not undertaken mass surveillance of New Zealanders is a lie.

Mr Greenwald, who has been hired to speak at Kim Dotcom's "Moment of Truth" event at the Auckland Town Hall on Monday, told TV3's The Nation he has been working on documents for months, which revealed the interception of emails, telephone calls and all types of communications.

"The statement from the GCSB to New Zealand citizens last year that they do not engage in mass surveillance on New Zealanders is one that is not truthful," said the Pulitzer Prize winner, who is best known for covering the Edward Snowden leaks during his time with UK paper The Guardian.

"What I can tell you for certain is that the Government does engage in extraordinary amounts of analysis of metadata - meaning who's talking to who and for how long ... on a massive indiscriminate scale, not just internationally, but on New Zealanders as well."

He added that "New Zealand spends an extraordinary amount of resources, for a country of this size, on electronic surveillance, and every single thing that the NSA does that we have been reporting on over the last year and a couple of months involves New Zealand directly. They are full-fledged allies of this effort."

New Zealand spies on a variety of countries on behalf of the United States, Mr Greenwald said.

For now, some voters will be left scratching their heads. Mr Greenwald and the Internet Party have thrown accusations at the PM, and the Mr Key has returned fire. And lots of insults have been thrown, too (failing to rise above the "henchman" fray, Mr Greenwald called the PM "unhinged"). But so far, neither side has tabled any evidence to back up its claims.

Prime Minister John Key has gone on the counter-attack, rubbing claims by visiting US journalist Glenn Greenwald and labelling him "Dotcom's little henchman".

"There is no mass surveillance of New Zealanders by the GCSB and there never has been," Mr Key told media.

"Mr Dotcom's little henchman will be proven to be incorrect because he is incorrect."

Mr Key told TV3 a mass surveillance plan was considered in response to cyber attacks targeting New Zealand businesses in 2011. But it was never implemented, he said. He would declassify sensitive documents to prove that point and debunk Mr Greenwald's theory.

That promise angered the Internet Party, which released a joint statement from Hone Harawira and Laila Harre saying:

"The reported intention of the Prime Minister to arrange the selective declassification and release of documents for his own political purposes represents an abuse of the Prime Minister's authority in his capacity as the Minister in charge of the GCSB and the SIS ...

If the purpose of classification is to protect our national interests, then what has changed today? Either these documents should have been previously released or they have been withheld to suit the Prime Ministers personal political agenda?"

The PM believed Mr Greenwald was jumping to conclusions based on partial information.

"There are a variety of reasons why, in the international environment we collect information. But when it comes to New Zealanders, there is no mass surveillance, there never has been mass surveillance. Dotcom's little henchman is wrong and unfortunately, he might have hacked some information but not all of it," Mr Key said.

"Mark my words: I'm right and he's wrong and I'll prove I'm right."

Mr Key said he stood by his statement last year that he would resign if the GCSB was shown to have conducted mass surveillance.



Kim Dotcom's "Moment of Truth" event takes place at the Auckland City Town Hall on September 15 from 7pm. Doors open from 6pm, free entry.

Read the NBR story [here](#).

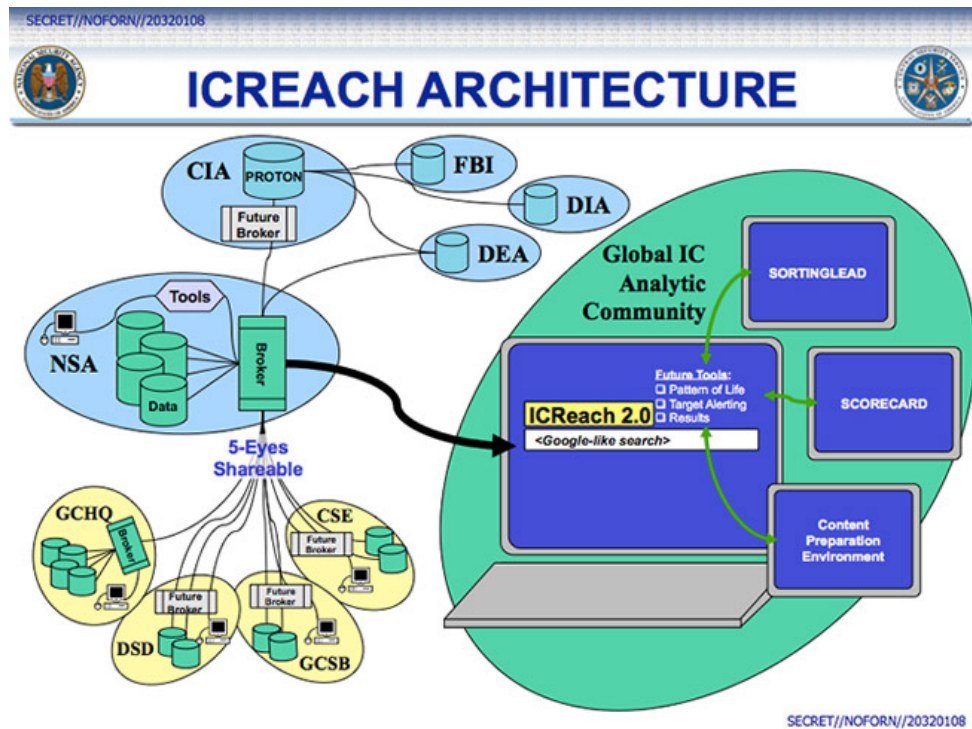
NSA Search Engine ICREACH Allows Law Enforcement To Scour Data On Citizens

August 27 2014 | From: [RT](#)

The United States National Security Agency has built a massive information sharing system intended to allow intelligence community analysts from across the US government access hundreds of billions of records detailing the lives of people the world over.



This "Google-like" search engine, according to journalist Ryan Gallagher at The Intercept, was developed by the NSA as early as 2007, but was only made publicly available on Monday this week thanks to classified documents disclosed to the news site by former intelligence contractor Edward Snowden.



According to the leaked documents and Gallagher's own reporting, the ICREACH search engine created by the NSA lets analysts from nearly two-dozen other government agencies, including the Federal Bureau of Investigation and the Drug Enforcement Agency, among others, share an array of sensitive details collected by the US intelligence community and its partners concerning not just foreign terror suspects, but "millions of records on American citizens who have not been accused of any wrongdoing," Gallagher wrote.

"The NSA has acknowledged that it shares some of its collected data with domestic agencies like the FBI, but details about the method and scope of its sharing have remained shrouded in secrecy," Gallagher added.

With the latest article to stem from the trove of classified files pilfered by Snowden last year, however, details for the first time are now being made available about just how widespread that information sharing is, opening new questions concerning the intelligence community's seemingly endless resources.

Read the full story at: [RT](#)

Check Out The Creepy Picture Google Paints Of Your Daily Habits

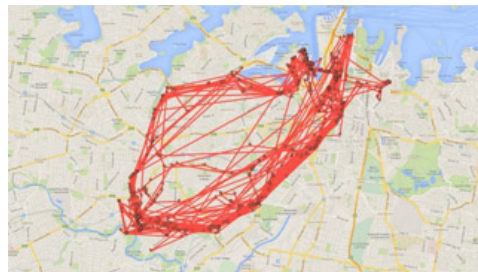
August 23 2014 | From: [OccupyCorporatism](#)

Google has been quietly painting a picture of your daily whereabouts and travel habits with the use of your Android or Apple smartphones.



With the use of tracking map apps such as Google Maps, Facebook and Foursquare, Google knows users must log into their Google account and immediately has a reference point to begin recording the adventures of millions of citizens all across the world.

Google has created Sounds of Street View (SSV) with a UK based hearing-aid corporation that will utilize "Google's Street View programming interface, people and businesses will be able to place a sound as well as a location marker on the online map."



Stephen Griffin, developer for SSV explained:

"The concept seems to have sparked people's imaginations, so hopefully we can start getting some great projects entered soon.

"Our hope is that we get some great 'everyday' soundscapes but also a few really out-there concepts too, such as the internal atmosphere from one of the many Street View stadiums around the world, or perhaps the underwater expeditions!"

One purpose for implementing this "immersive technology" is to lay the foundation for future corporations to have a new "promotional opportunity" and possibly create the next wave in deceptive marketing practices.

Griffin commented:

"There's also potential for businesses, tour operators and such to think about how they communicate their brand/service when they get their own Street View internal tours. Sound adds a whole new atmospheric element to somewhere like, say, a restaurant, where you could have a welcoming message at the door, an ambient atmosphere to get potential clientele to gain a more thorough vibe."

Read the full story at: [OccupyCorporatism](#)

Jon Rappoport's Prediction About Facebook Comes True

August 21 2014 | From: [JonRappoport](#)

Two years ago, I wrote about the origins of Facebook. The company had gone public with its IPO, which was tanking badly.



Here are key excerpts from the article:

"But now the Facebook stock has tanked. On Friday, August 17, [2012] it weighed in at half its initial IPO price. For the first time since the IPO, venture-capital backers were legally permitted to sell off their shares, and some did, at a loss."

"This has the earmarks of a classic shakeout and squeeze play...First, they [insiders] drive down the price of the stock, then they trade it at low levels that discourage and demoralize the public and even semi-insiders. As the stock continues to tank, they quietly buy up as much of it as they can. Finally, when the price hits a designated rock bottom, they shoot it up all the way to new highs and win big."

"The company is too important as a data-mining asset of the intelligence community to let it fall into disrepair and chaos."

"The media will play along, pretending the eventual upswing-recovery of Facebook stock happens for fundamental reasons connected to the company's 'better level of performance'. The media take this approach to every stock and every company, to avoid letting the public know how massive manipulation actually runs these trading markets."

Okay. So let's look at what's happened to Facebook stock since I wrote those words two years ago.

From August 2012 all the way to July 2013, the stock presented a quite discouraging picture. It stayed in the 20-30 range, looked like it was going nowhere, and never threatened to move up to its original offering price of 40.

Exactly. This prompted many holders to dump their shares, affording insiders the opportunity to scoop them up at bargain-basement prices.

Finally, in July 2013, the insiders began the long march upward, which has continued to this day. As I write this, Facebook stock is selling at \$75.39 a share, a new high.

Perfect.

Analysts, of course, attribute this boom to company "earnings beating projections."

They always find a reason. They'll say anything. "The weather last year was unusually cold."

The fact is, Facebook was in good hands all the way. The heavy hitters took the price way down, kept it there, accumulated many, many shares, and then marched the price up to the sky.

In Facebook, the CIA and other intelligence agencies have had a great front for their data-mining work, and they weren't going to let it fail.

As for the future, the insiders could take FB shares down again, let them languish, and then rocket them up. Why make just one big score when you can double-dip and make two?

Prime Minister Is Lying Over Nicky Hager's SIS Allegation - Phil Goff

August 17 2014 | From: [NationalBusinessReview](http://www.nationalbusinessreview.com)

Labour front bencher Phil Goff says Prime Minister John Key is lying over allegations involving the SIS made in Nicky Hager's Dirty Politics.



The book claims Whale Oil blogger Cameron Slater was tipped off to ask the Security Intelligence Service for confidential documents about a briefing Mr Goff was given in 2011 (after controversy over whether the then Labour leader had been briefed, or not, over an affair involving alleged spying by Israeli backpackers).

Mr Key says he didn't have anything to do with the briefing papers being handed over after an Official Information Act request, and that he didn't speed up the process.

Asked if he took the PM at his word, Mr Goff replied;

"No. I regret to have to say that, but the prime minister's lying. Every OIA request to the SIS will go across John Key's desk. Now, there's some other factors that are pertinent to this. I was rung up by the head of the SIS to say he'd had an OIA release and he was telling me that he was going to release it.

I said, 'Who's it from?' He said, 'A Mr Slater.' I said, 'What's his first name?' 'Cameron Slater.' I said, 'You know who Cameron Slater is, don't you?' 'Oh, yes, I do.' 'When did you get it?' 'I got it today.' 'When are you intending to release it?' 'Today'.

That is unheard of. I've been in politics for 30 years. I don't know of anyone who has had an OIA returned in less than 20 days, and I don't know anybody that's got an OIA released from the SIS in that way."

When The Nation interviewer Lisa Owen put it to Mr Goff that , "You were in a war of words with [then SIS head Warren] Tucker at that time. It was clear that there was a degree of animosity there. Wouldn't it be in his interest to get that information out to embarrass you?", he replied:

"Warren Tucker is a civil servant. As head of the SIS he does nothing that is inconsistent with what John Key or whoever is prime minister of the day asks him to do.

Other people, including the Dominion Post and Radio New Zealand, put in identical OIAs. They did not receive that for a long time. The fact that Slater received this is clearly under instruction from John Key, and it's disingenuous of him to deny that. It's dishonest."

New Nicky Hager Book: 'You Will Not Believe What You Read'

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Dirty Politics: Nicky Hager's new book on the Key Government launched at Unity



Dirty Politics, the new book from author and investigative journalist Nicky Hager, will feature leaked emails between National Party figures and right-wing bloggers.

The book, which has been released in Wellington tonight, aims to tell the story of "how attack politics is poisoning NZ's political environment".

It includes email correspondence between Whaleoil blogger Cameron Slater and Jason Ede, one of the Prime Minister John Key's press secretaries, in relation to information found on Labour's website.

Mr Hager said the Prime Minister's office had been "collaborating" with National Party "proxies" who were carrying out attacks on behalf of Mr Key while working to preserve his image.

The book shows Mr Slater and Mr Ede discussed the information and how to avoid being caught.

"Part of the book is about how John Key has cultivated a very respectable image of being friendly and relaxed but at the same time there has been another part of his politics which New Zealanders have not seen or understood."

Speaking to reporters this evening, Mr Hager said the book was about the "unseen side of Mr Key's political management".

He denied he had a political agenda in releasing the book so close to the election.

"Any person, any of you who had access to the documents I have would have leapt at the chance to use this information because it's so illuminating about the Government."

"That's what the job is - to tell people before the election."

He said he got the material early this year and could have taken more time with the book.

"But I've worked like a dog because I believe that people have a total right to know this before the election."

"So have I hurried it out before the election - totally. Is it politically motivated? It's motivated by the public interest that I think people have in knowing what's going on."

Mr Hager said his book would show Mr Key "has some very serious questions to answer".

Many of those questions were about his long term press advisers who were doing things like "going inside the Labour Party's computers", organising other dirty tricks and feeding material to bloggers Mr Slater and David Farrar to orchestrate personal attacks.

"When you read the book you're going to find chapter after chapter of remarkable things that him as leader of the party... he's got a lot to answer for."

"In some cases it's political blackmail, there are many cases of digging sexual dirt to try and scare and threaten people. There are many cases that looked to the country as if they were spontaneous acts of politics which were actually orchestrated from the ninth floor."

Mr Hager described Mr Slater as an "obnoxious" blogger whose attacks on a young man killed in a car crash earlier this year had led to hackers attacking the Whaleoil website.

He said the attack knocked out the Whaleoil site for a number of days during which time a hacker had come away with "thousands and thousands" of documents.

He said the papers revealed an "astonishingly cynical and ugly view" of the way National's "proxies" behaved in politics.

Mr Hager said people would become increasingly astonished as they read through the book because the "dirty politics" only got worse.

"You will not believe what you read and how bloody awful it is."

In a speech prior to the launch, the book was described as one which *"implicates John Key and senior National Party staff"*.

It *"revolves around a cast of Key, Cameron Slater, Jason Ede, David Farrar, Judith Collins and other National Party figures"*.

"It shows a very different side of John Key and his Government than most New Zealanders know", the book's publishers said.

Hager's earlier books have included *Seeds of Distrust*, which threatened to ankle-tap former Prime Minister Helen Clark as she headed into the 2002 election.

Mr Hager followed with *The Hollow Men* which gave voters an inside look at the manipulations of National's 2005 campaign. His 2010 book *Other People's Wars* exposed New Zealand's intelligence and military activities in Afghanistan and Iraq during the "War of Terror" - a stark contrast to the friendly, public relations-driven view the New Zealand Defence Force had offered.

His previous access to well-placed intelligence sources have driven speculation he was preparing to release Edward Snowden-sourced documents about New Zealand's involvement in the US-led Five Eyes spying alliance. But talk around Wellington yesterday had some leaning towards an expose on political manipulations.

Ahead of today's launch, Prime Minister John Key dismissed Mr Hager saying: *"Most people know that Nicky Hager is a screaming left-wing conspiracy theorist."*

It's a view which is in contrast to praise from US journalism legend Seymour Hersh, who last year said: *"Nicky Hager has more knowledge and understanding of the American intelligence world in Afghanistan - both its good and its very bad points - than any reporter I know."*

The release of the latest book has been carried out in total secrecy. Publicity for the book ahead of the launch has been non-existent, although the launch itself at Wellington's Unity Books has become today's must-attend Wellington function.

Media commentator Russell Brown said Mr Key's comments should be seen as preparing the ground for whatever might be coming by attempting to diminish Mr Hager's credibility.

"They are generally stories people don't want told," he said of Mr Hager's work. *"You can see that in the push back which comes before the book comes out."*

Mr Brown, AUT's Journalist In Residence and frontman with Toi Iti for Maori Television's Media Take, said Mr Hager had proven his credentials repeatedly and should be regarded as credible.

"One very valuable thing about Nicky is that he operates at a different level to most journalists. He has a strong sense in the public interest. He can take a long time to get the detail right. We're lucky to have someone in his position."

Mr Brown said Mr Hager's books fell into either the "barnstormer" or "technical" category and he expected this one would be greeted as a "barnstormer".

Mr Hager's first book was *Secret Power*, published in 1996. It was a world-exclusive and remains the authoritative text on the United States-led pre-digital spying network called Echelon.

CIA MKULTRA: They Intended To Use Drugs For "Everything"

August 13 2014 | From: [JonRappoport](#)

Drugs to transform individuals... and even, by implication, society. Drug research going far beyond the usual brief descriptions of MKULTRA. The intention is there, in the record.



A CIA document was included in the transcript of the 1977 US Senate Hearings on MKULTRA, the CIA's mind-control program.

The document is found in Appendix C, starting on page 166. It's simply labeled "Draft," dated 5 May 1955.

It begins: "A portion of the Research and Development Program of [CIA's] TSS/Chemical Division is devoted to the discovery of the following materials and methods:"

What followed was a list of hoped-for drugs and their uses.

First, a bit of background: MKULTRA did not end in 1962, as advertised. It was shifted over to the Agency's Office of Research and Development.

John Marks is the author of the groundbreaking book, [The Search for the Manchurian Candidate](#), which exposed MKULTRA. Marks told me a CIA representative informed him that the continuation of MKULTRA, after 1962, was carried out with a greater degree of secrecy, and he, Marks, would never see a scrap of paper about it.

I'm printing below, the list of the 1955 intentions of the CIA regarding their own drug research. The range of those intentions is stunning. All statements are direct quotes from the "Draft" document.

Some of my comments gleaned from studying the list:

- ▷ The CIA wanted to find substances which would "promote illogical thinking and impulsiveness." Serious consideration should be given to the idea that psychiatric medications, food additives, herbicides, and industrial chemicals (like fluorides) would eventually satisfy that requirement.
- ▷ The CIA wanted to find chemicals that "would produce the signs and symptoms of recognized diseases in a reversible way." This suggests many possibilities—among them the use of drugs to fabricate diseases and thereby give the false impression of germ-caused epidemics.
- ▷ The CIA wanted to find drugs that would "produce amnesia." Ideal for discrediting whistleblowers, dissidents, certain political candidates, and other investigators. (Scopolamine, for example.)
- ▷ The CIA wanted to discover drugs which would produce "paralysis of the legs, acute anemia, etc." A way to make people decline in health as if from diseases.
- ▷ The CIA wanted to develop drugs that would "alter personality structure" and thus induce a person's dependence on another person. How about dependence in general? For instance, dependence on institutions, governments?
- ▷ The CIA wanted to discover chemicals that would "lower the ambition and general working efficiency of men." Sounds like a general description of the devolution of society.

As you read the list yourself, you'll see more implications/possibilities.

Here, from 1955, are the types of drugs the MKULTRA men at the CIA were looking for:

- ▶ Substances which will promote illogical thinking and impulsiveness to the point where the recipient would be discredited in public.
- ▶ Substances which increase the efficiency of mentation and perception.
- ▶ Materials which will prevent or counteract the intoxicating effect of alcohol.
- ▶ Materials which will promote the intoxicating effect of alcohol.
- ▶ Materials which will produce the signs and symptoms of recognized diseases in a reversible way so that they may be used for malingering, etc.
- ▶ Materials which will render the induction of hypnosis easier or otherwise enhance its usefulness.

- ▶ Substances which will enhance the ability of individuals to withstand privation, torture and coercion during interrogation and so-called "brain-washing".
- ▶ Materials and physical methods which will produce amnesia for events preceding and during their use.
- ▶ Physical methods of producing shock and confusion over extended periods of time and capable of surreptitious use.
- ▶ Substances which produce physical disablement such as paralysis of the legs, acute anemia, etc.
- ▶ Substances which will produce "pure" euphoria with no subsequent let-down.
- ▶ Substances which alter personality structure in such a way that the tendency of the recipient to become dependent upon another person is enhanced.
- ▶ A material which will cause mental confusion of such a type that the individual under its influence will find it difficult to maintain a fabrication under questioning.
- ▶ Substances which will lower the ambition and general working efficiency of men when administered in undetectable amounts.
- ▶ Substances which promote weakness or distortion of the eyesight or hearing faculties, preferably without permanent effects.
- ▶ A knockout pill which can surreptitiously be administered in drinks, food, cigarettes, as an aerosol, etc., which will be safe to use, provide a maximum of amnesia, and be suitable for use by agent types on an ad hoc basis.
- ▶ A material which can be surreptitiously administered by the above routes and which in very small amounts will make it impossible for a man to perform any physical activity whatsoever.

That's the list.

At the end of this 1955 CIA document, the author [unnamed] makes these remarks:

"In practice, it has been possible to use outside cleared contractors for the preliminary phases of this [research] work. However, that part which involves human testing at effective dose levels presents security problems which cannot be handled by the ordinary contractors".

"The proposed [human testing] facility [deletion] offers a unique opportunity for the secure handling of such clinical testing in addition to the many advantages outlined in the project proposal".

"The security problems mentioned above are eliminated by the fact that the responsibility for the testing will rest completely upon the physician and the hospital. [one line deleted] will allow [CIA] TSS/CD personnel to supervise the work very closely to make sure that all tests are conducted according to the recognized practices and embody adequate safeguards."

In other words, this was to be ultra-secret. No outside contractors at universities for the core of the experiments, which by the way could be carried forward for decades.

A secret in-house facility. Over the years, more facilities could be created.

If you examine the full range of psychiatric drugs developed since 1955, you'll see that a number of them fit the CIA's agenda:

- ▶ Speed-type chemicals, which addle the brain over the long term, to treat so-called ADHD.
- ▶ Anti-psychotic drugs, to render patients more and more dependent on others (and government) as they sink into profound disability and incur motor brain damage.
- ▶ And of course, the SSRI antidepressants, like Prozac and Paxil and Zoloft, which produce extreme and debilitating highs and lows - and also push people over the edge into committing violence.

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If that's the goal of a very powerful and clandestine government agency...it's succeeding.

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For many years now laws have been passed, in New Zealand as in all other Western countries that little by little, erode away our privacy and rights. These laws usually come in under the guise of protecting us or our security from 'terror threat' and the like.

While many dismiss concerns about these laws coming into effect as paranoia, the fact is that the legislation that is being passed has some pretty nasty capabilities if activated and not dormant.

Governments have demonstrated a propensity for always moving to utilise the full extent of capabilities that are allowed for under legislation.

"Anyone who trades liberty for security deserves neither liberty nor security"

- Benjamin Franklin

Finger In Every Pie: How CIA Produces Our 'News' And Entertainment

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In so many respects, 'our' media is not *our own*. In the past, *21WIRE* has detailed various aspects of [Operation Mockingbird](#) and other CIA-related media pursuits, as well as many other [bogus news stories](#) which appear on a regular basis.



Claire Danes as Carrie Mathison in Homeland

Previously, we showed how the Hollywood hit [ZeroDarkThirty](#) was a completely fabricated piece of fiction which was passed on to the public as a "true story". Also, the popular TV series, *Homeland*, is one of the most obvious propaganda productions in recent years, designed to reinforce many flawed assumptions and false beliefs about the world outside of the United States.

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Did you know that the CIA has actually produced a number of high-profile 'history' TV programs that appear on US and world media channels?

Yes, it's true...

Finger in Every Pie: How CIA Became Involved in Entertainment Business

The Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) has a finger in every pie including... the entertainment business: it turns out that the CIA has played a role in producing at least 22 entertainment projects; investigative journalist Adam Johnson argues that by doing this the US intelligence agency puts American media workers at risk.

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It seems that the US Central Intelligence Agency follows the theory that says that there are no little or insignificant things. The intelligence agency has long been keeping an eye on the Western entertainment industry and has even had a role in producing popular fiction movies and documentaries.



In his [article](#) for Fair.org media watchdog investigative journalist Adam Johnson argues that this type of collaboration may cast a shadow over the image of US media workers and even put them at risk.

"For years, artists from across the entertainment industry - actors, authors, directors, producers, screenwriters, and others - have been in touch with the CIA to gain a better understanding of our intelligence mission," the CIA public website [reads](#).

According to the website, the CIA's goal in engaging with the industry is to ensure *"an accurate portrayal of the men and women of the CIA, and the skill, innovation, daring, and commitment to public service that defines them."*



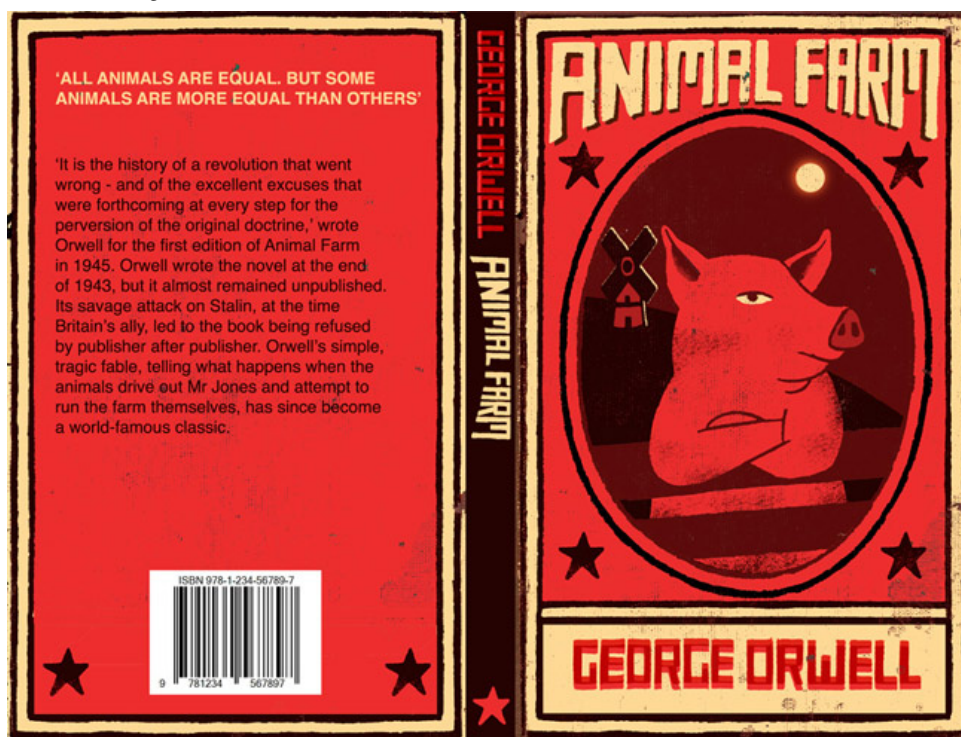
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Johnson cites the recent [article](#) by Jason Leopold of VICE News who shed some light on how deep the CIA's Office of Public Affairs (OPA) has been involved in US popular entertainment projects.

"Vice's Jason Leopold has uncovered documents showing the CIA had a role in producing up to 22 entertainment 'projects,' including History Channel documentary Air America: The CIA's Secret Airline, Bravo's Top Chef: Covert Cuisine, the USA Network series Covert Affairs and the BBC documentary The Secret War on Terror-along with two fictional feature films about the CIA that both came out in 2012," Johnson narrates.

He points out that the CIA has a long history of "helping" to produce films and documentaries.

"The Agency, for example, secretly bought the rights to Animal Farm after Orwell's death in 1950 and produced an animated adaptation centered on demonizing the Soviet Union rather than capturing Orwell's broader critiques of power," the investigative journalist underscores.



And, yes, the CIA and other intelligence agencies are also recruiting prominent media figures.

In September 2015 the conservative group Judicial Watch released a 2012 [CIA inspector general's audit](#) covering the CIA's OPA cooperation with the entertainment industry.

The report specifically criticizes the CIA's OPA for excessive engaging with the media figures, in particular for inviting entertainment industry workers to secret briefings and other events.

"There was an instance in which the CIA allowed an entertainment industry representative to attend a CIA event in which information classified at the SECRET level was discussed," the document reads.

Johnson emphasizes that it is no secret that Hollywood players took part in various covert operations. He refers to the fact that legendary film producer Arnon Milchan worked for years for Israeli intelligence dealing arms and obtaining sensitive technical information for defense programs.



Sydney Pollack in 'Eyes Wide Shut'

Remarkably, in his interview with BBC in 2013 Milchan [admitted](#) that Academy Award-winning director Sydney Pollack had also been involved in covert intelligence operations.

"In such revelations, an important point is often overlooked: The CIA assisting or posing as filmmakers, journalists and other creative roles-a practice the Agency reserves the right to partake in to this day-puts actual filmmakers, journalists and other creators at risk overseas," Johnson emphasizes.

According to the investigative journalist, it is dangerous to "blur" the lines between covert intelligence and legitimate media activities, because it puts the media workers at risk of being considered CIA associates.

"The spectacle of Hollywood teaming up with US intelligence agencies to make propaganda - especially given the dodgy historical context - no doubt stokes the fears of countries already hostile to Americans within their borders," he explains.

"Every time this type of behavior is normalized, or shrugged off, or made sexy, real journalists and real filmmakers overseas are put further at risk," Johnson concludes.

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I reported honestly the facts of the US coup that overthrew the elected Ukrainian government in 2014 (see my columns in February and March 2014). However, the US print and TV media, led by the New York Times, lied through their teeth.

Indeed, the "mainstream" US media functioned as agent and propagandist for the Washington neoconservatives who destroyed Ukrainian democracy and imposed massive suffering and death on Ukrainians.

There is no crime that the American pressites will not commit and no lie that they will not tell.

Yesterday (April 11, 2016) Robert Parry held the sordid pressites accountable:

[Several weeks before Ukraine's 2014 coup, U.S. Assistant Secretary of State Nuland had already picked Arseniy Yatsenyuk to be the future leader, but now "Yats" is no longer the guy, writes Robert Parry.](#)

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Tyranny And Free Speech

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Do you support free speech? How about free speech for climate change skeptics? For homophobes? For racists? For sexists? For white males? For even Donald Trump?



Those who defend free speech, as did the American Founding Fathers, understand it is not about defending speech you agree with, but defending speech you disagree with. Without free speech, there is no liberty.

The State Department diversity officer, John Robinson, has just warned the staff that they may be penalized for engaging in "microaggressions," which include jokes or other comments that someone who hears them may find offensive.

In a recent letter, he referred to a definition of microaggressions as:

"Everyday verbal, nonverbal and environmental slights, snubs or insults, whether intentional or unintentional, which communicate hostile, derogatory or negative messages to target persons."

In other words, whatever you hear may be considered a microaggression if you choose to be offended.

Such vague and infinitely elastic laws and regulations are the bread and butter of all totalitarian regimes.

Lavrentiy Beria (Joseph Stalin's head of the NKVD, a predecessor of the KGB) was quoted as saying to Stalin:

"You name the person and I will find the crime."



The "crime" of microaggression has already been used to stifle and prosecute speech by those who have contrary views in several left-leaning universities, and now it is coming to the federal government.

The climate change lobbyists have been increasingly aggressive in their attacks on free speech.

They seek to silence their critics, who have committed the "sin" of noting their many failed predictions.

George Mason University meteorologist Jagadish Shukla was the lead signatory of the letter sent to the president and attorney general asking them to use RICO (Racketeer Influenced and Corrupt Organizations Act) laws to prosecute;

"Corporations and other organizations that have knowingly deceived the American people about the risks of climate change."

Mr. Shukla "paid himself and his wife \$1.5 million from government climate grants for part-time work."

Other prominent global warming fear-mongers, who are on the government teat, have also called for "war crimes trials" and even the "execution" of some critics.

Even Attorney General Loretta Lynch said last week she has looked at the possibility of pursuing civil actions against so-called "climate change deniers."



The message: Don't look to the Obama administration to protect free speech. Which do you find more offensive, a person advocating socialism or a person telling jokes about one-eyed people?

Socialism is an ideology that has resulted in governments killing more than 200 million of their own citizens in the last century. It is based on coercion rather than liberty. It demands involuntary servitude. Socialist Bernie Sanders promises "free" stuff to his supporters to be paid for by the involuntary servitude of others - to which there will be no end.

Having spent considerable time in socialist countries and seen the human wreckage that results, I am offended by the ignorance or venality of those who engage in the microaggression of advocating socialism. Several decades ago, I lost an eye, and in the years since I have been told hundreds of "one-eyed" jokes, even by people who do not know me.

Rather than being offended, I have chosen to enjoy them. Offensive speech is totally subjective, and making it a crime is incompatible with a free society.

The Guardian, a left-wing British newspaper, published an article last year by a woman author titled;

"Why do women lie more than men?"

It reported on a new poll that *"suggests that women are twice as likely to lie as men."*

The article goes on to say: *"It may be irritating to be told, yet again, that women are more morally slippery than men (just as in Genesis)."*

The article goes on to cite several reasons why this may be true - including differences *"between masculine and feminine brains."*

All of this may or may not be nonsense, but in cases of women complaining about men engaging in "offensive" speech, it is most often assumed, without evidence, that the woman is telling the truth and the man is lying. In fact, men are frequently not allowed to know who their accuser is or what she claimed was said.

One of the most basic protections of liberty is the right of the accuser to know the specific charges against him or her and by whom. As a result, many innocent men are not given a fair hearing by the human resource departments in organizations and even sometimes by the courts.



The late well-regarded feminist, Joan Kennedy Taylor, argued in her book "What to Do When You Don't Want to Call the Cops: Or a Non-Adversarial Approach to Sexual Harassment" (Cato Institute) that it is important to understand that men and women perceive things quite differently, and that non-legal strategies which she describes can be far more effective and less damaging than legal remedies.

Law professor Catherine Ross has just written an important book, "Lessons in Censorship" (to be discussed at a Cato book forum on March 16), in which she argues that "the failure of schools to respect civil liberties betrays their educational function and threatens democracy."



The popularity of the verbally crude Donald Trump might, in part, be a reaction to the political correctness of the political class and timid leaders of organizations who have failed to defend freedom of speech.

Clinton Email Reveals: Google Sought Overthrow Of Syria's Assad + Robert Kennedy Jr. Just Dropped A Truth Bomb: 'Pipeline War' Is At The Roots Of Syrian Crisis

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Google in 2012 sought to help insurgents overthrow Syrian President Bashar Assad, according to State Department emails receiving fresh scrutiny this week.



Messages between former secretary of state Hillary Clinton's team and one of the company's executives detailed the plan for Google to get involved in the region.

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A story largely ignored by the corporate media reveals the tech company Google offered to help Secretary of State Clinton overthrow Bashar al-Assad by developing an app to track defections from the Syrian government.

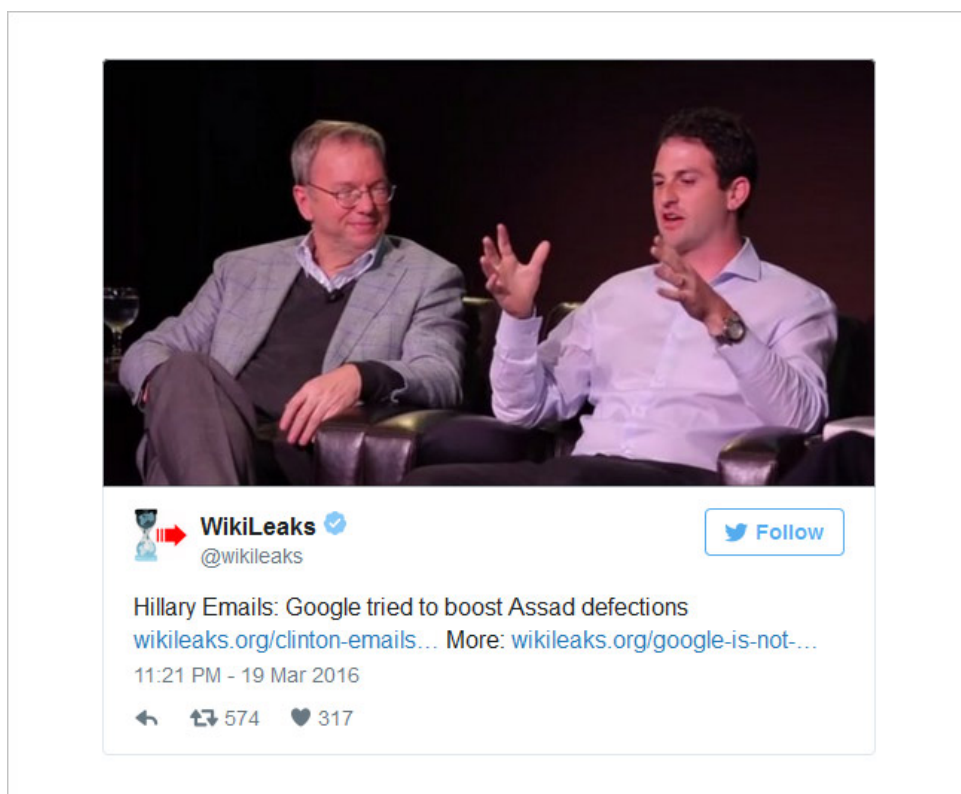
Jared Cohen, the head of what was then the company's "Google Ideas" division, [wrote](#) in a July 2012 email to several top Clinton officials.

"Please keep close hold, but my team is planning to launch a tool... that will publicly track and map the defections in Syria and which parts of the government they are coming from."

"Our logic behind this is that while many people are tracking the atrocities, nobody is visually representing and mapping the defections, which we believe are important in encouraging more to defect and giving confidence to the opposition," Cohen said, adding that the plan was for Google to surreptitiously give the tool to Middle Eastern media.

"Given how hard it is to get information into Syria right now, we are partnering with Al-Jazeera who will take

primary ownership over the tool we have built, track the data, verify it, and broadcast it back into Syria," he said.



You can read the email for yourself [here](#).

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The message was addressed to deputy secretary of state Bill Burns; Alec Ross, a senior Clinton advisor; and Clinton's deputy chief of staff, Jake Sullivan. Sullivan subsequently forwarded Cohen's proposal to Clinton, describing it as "a pretty cool idea."

Cohen worked as a member of the secretary of state's policy planning staff from 2006 to 2010, when he was hired to lead Google Ideas, but was tied to using social media to incite uprisings even before he left the department.

He once reportedly asked Twitter CEO Jack Dorsey to hold off of conducting system maintenance that officials believed could have impeded a brief 2009 uprising in Iran, and Julian Assange, who founded the secret-leaking website WikiLeaks, has for years referred to Cohen as Google's "director of regime change."

In her book *No Higher Honor* Condoleezza Rice spoke fondly of Cohen, describing him as a "young gun" and said his work in social media;



"Would pay off handsomely... when Twitter and Facebook became accelerants of democratic change in the Middle East."

Social media played a predominant role in the so-called "Arab Spring," the concerted effort by the State Department, the Endowment for Democracy, USAID, the International Republican Institute, the National Democratic Institute and Freedom House to violently overthrow governments in the Middle East and North Africa.

In addition to Google, Facebook and Twitter were also involved in the effort to undermine governments in the region.

In total, according to a [report in Indonesia's Jakarta Post](#), 180,000 people died as a result of the US-orchestrated Arab Spring, primarily in Libya, Syria and Yemen.

The exchange on Syria was highlighted by Wikileaks on Saturday. Earlier in the week, the site posted more than 30,000 emails that Clinton sent or received during her tenure leading the State Department.

Robert Kennedy Jr. Just Dropped A Truth Bomb: 'Pipeline War' Is At The Roots Of Syrian Crisis

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The individual is handicapped by coming face to face with a conspiracy so monstrous he cannot believe it exists. The mind simply has not come to a realization of the evil which has been introduced into our midst. It rejects even the assumption that human creatures could espouse a philosophy which must ultimately destroy all that is good and decent.

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Seized Hager Material Destroyed, Attention Turns To Westpac

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Nicky Hager's attention is turning towards Westpac Bank's handing over of his bank records after watching police smash 213 times a hard drive containing his material.



About 17 months after police raided the *Dirty Politics* author's home, Mr Hager and one of his lawyers, Steven Price, watched a hard drive and memory card containing copies of seized data get destroyed in the High Court at Auckland.

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The pair also collected a computer and other equipment taken by police during what Mr Hager called a "Rambo" raid, after it was last year ruled unlawful.

Mr Hager fought for two months to get permission for the media to watch the copies being destroyed, without success.

But afterwards, he said it was an "amazing day" and he felt like he was "watching history."

"We went down to the basement of the High Court building here, into this little narrow room, without lights on, and the police held torches around while one of the detectives, in fact the detective who was in charge of removing stuff from my house was there, while he destroyed the materials they had copied from the house."

Mr Hager says the detective took to the hard drive 213 times with a hammer, before cutting holes in it with a bolt-cutter.

But while he is "absolutely confident" the material was not tampered with while sitting at court, his attention now turns to other areas where he says the police were "tricky."

Mr Price says there will likely be a further hearing later this year regarding further aspects of the case.



"The main thing that's going on is the question whether it's lawful for the police to go to banks and get them to turn over someone's bank records, as they did with Nicky, without a court order."

That's something that might affect thousands of people."

Keith Locke: Hard To Spy Gains From Five Eyes

March 22 2016 | From: [Keith Locke](#)

This article of mine [Keith Locke - former Green MP] was published in the New Zealand Herald on 15 March 2016. It was in response to the report of Intelligence and Security Agencies Review, released on 9 March.



The intelligence services report by Sir Michael Cullen and Dame Patsy Reddy sheds more light on the GCSB's work with the Five Eyes network, but it also leaves several questions unanswered. Since the Snowden revelations there has been a concern that our Government Communications Security Bureau is involved in "mass surveillance". The Government has denied that it is.

Cullen and Reddy describe how the GCSB collects communications from the geo-stationary satellites visible from its station at Waihopai, near Blenheim.

First; the bureau:

"Intercepts a set of communications, most of which will be of no relevance and will be discarded without ever being examined by the [GCSB] analyst. This is the haystack in which the needle must be found."

Second;

"The GCSB filters intercepted material for relevance using search terms."

These search terms could be subjects or groups and could take in lot of people, some of whom would be New Zealanders.

Although the GCSB is supposed to be targeting "foreign intelligence" it is not illegal for it to retain Waihopai's intercept intelligence on New Zealanders if it was "incidentally obtained intelligence", that is, if the New Zealanders weren't a specific target, and the intelligence was relevant to the GCSB's security objectives.

In addition, many New Zealanders can legally be targeted by the GCSB as "foreign persons" if they are active in "foreign organisations", the definition of which is broad enough to include Greenpeace or the New Zealand subsidiary of a multi-national corporation. Former Prime Minister Jenny Shipley qualifies as a "foreign person" because she is on the board of the China Construction Bank.



The Cullen/Reddy report removes the problem of "mass surveillance" by saying it "suggests a kind of active monitoring of the general population that does not occur".. [not true].

However, I don't think any critic of government surveillance has ever envisaged the surveillance going that far **[not true]**.

An over-the-top definition of mass surveillance avoids the reality of a mass collection of communications data at Waihopai and the possibility that the international phone calls or emails of any New Zealander could be caught in the net, accidentally or not. In theory, their communications could be subsequently analysed by a GCSB operative.

The next question is what happens to the "haystack" of communications collected at the Waihopai spy station. The report says that most of these communications "will be of no relevance and will be discarded without ever being examined by an analyst".



They may be discarded by the analyst, but to what extent are they stored, either here or overseas, for later mining by the GCSB or its Five Eyes partners? We know that the US National Security Agency has access to raw communications from its Five Eyes partners, and that it stores billions of communications for later analysis.

This is relevant to the concern, correctly raised by Cullen and Reddy, that close co-operation with Five Eyes partners "creates a risk of some loss of independence, both operationally and potentially also in relation to our intelligence, defence and foreign policy settings". Our national interests "do not and cannot exactly coincide with those of any other country".

The reality is that when New Zealand is sharing raw communications data with other Fives Eyes partners some of the intelligence they glean from it will be used for foreign policy objectives which are not the same as New Zealand's.



But this seems to be a secondary consideration to the net benefit Cullen and Reddy say New Zealand receives from Five Eyes intelligence sharing. It is hard to judge this as any benefits are largely invisible to the public.

Have any terrorist plots been found? Not as far as we know. Have our trade interests been advanced? No one has pointed out how. Has our diplomacy been assisted? I can't see any evidence.

Yet the downside of New Zealand's participation in Five Eyes surveillance is substantial. There was a cool reception in Beijing when the Snowden papers revealed the GCSB's spying on China. Joining intelligence forces with America against China is hardly the way to optimise our trade with that important country.

New Zealand's ambassador was called in to the Brazilian foreign ministry when it was revealed the GCSB had been gathering Five Eyes intercept data on Brazilian Roberto Azevedo in an unsuccessful attempt to stop him heading off our Trade Minister Tim Groser to become Director-General of the WTO.



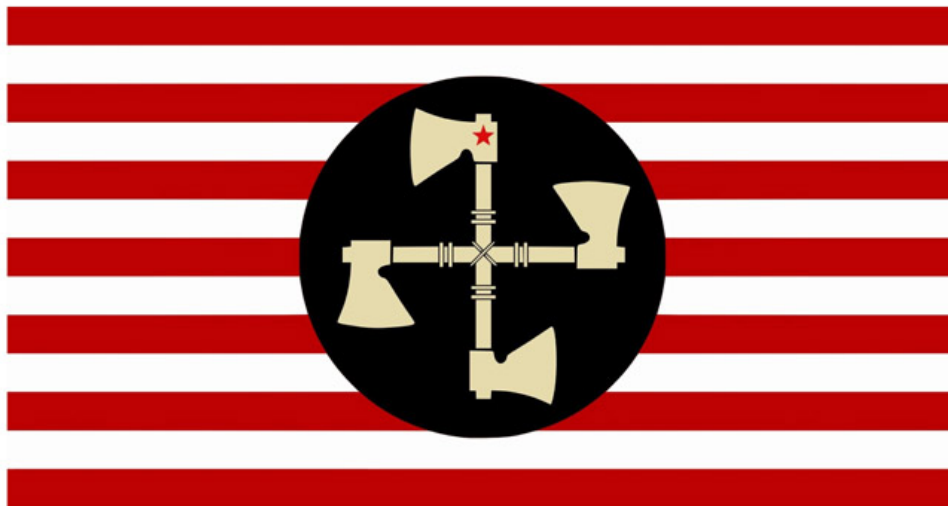
Yes, we need to be concerned about possible terrorist activity. But do we need to be in the Five Eyes to detect any plots? The reality is that the police and intelligence forces of friendly nations share information on terrorism (and other international crime) regardless of who is in or out of the Five Eyes.

I don't think Cullen and Reddy make much of a case for us to stay in this five-nation spy network.

The New Mind Control: “Subliminal Stimulation”; Controlling People Without Their Knowledge

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The internet has spawned subtle forms of influence that can flip elections and manipulate everything we say, think and do.



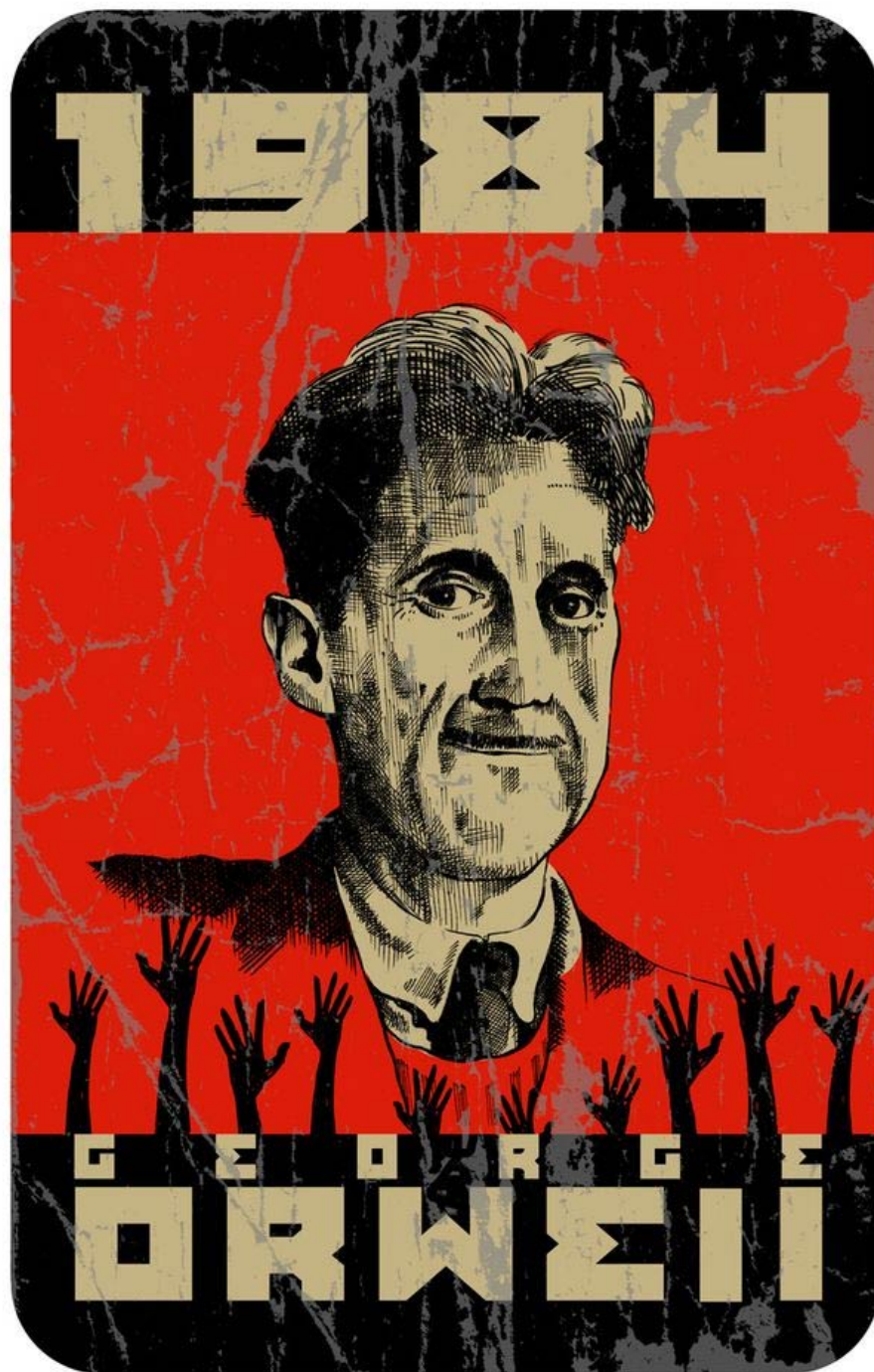
Over the past century, more than a few great writers have expressed concern about humanity's future. In *The Iron Heel* (1908), the American writer Jack London pictured a world in which a handful of wealthy corporate titans – the ‘oligarchs’ – kept the masses at bay with a brutal combination of rewards and punishments. Much of humanity lived in virtual slavery, while the fortunate ones were bought off with decent wages that allowed them to live comfortably – but without any real control over their lives.

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In *We* (1924), the brilliant Russian writer Yevgeny Zamyatin, anticipating the excesses of the emerging Soviet Union, envisioned a world in which people were kept in check through pervasive monitoring.

The walls of their homes were made of clear glass, so everything they did could be observed. They were allowed to lower their shades an hour a day to have sex, but both the rendezvous time and the lover had to be registered first with the state.

In *Brave New World* (1932), the British author Aldous Huxley pictured a near-perfect society in which unhappiness and aggression had been engineered out of humanity through a combination of genetic engineering and psychological



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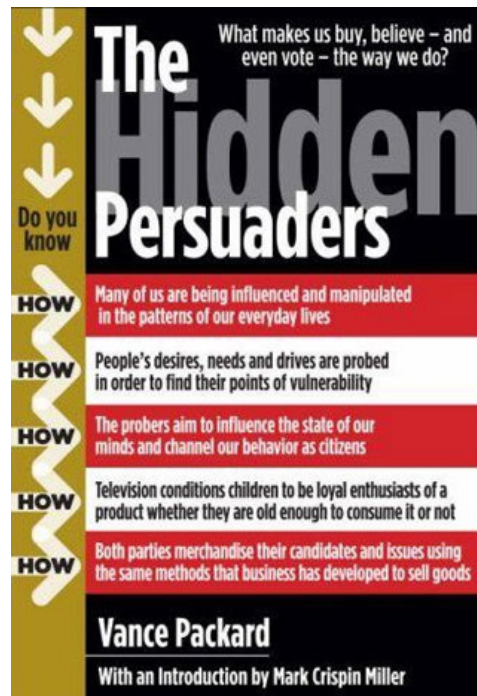
And in the much darker novel *1984* (1949), Huxley's compatriot George Orwell described a society in which thought itself was controlled; in Orwell's world, children were taught to use a simplified form of English called Newspeak in order to assure that they could never express ideas that were dangerous to society.

These are all fictional tales, to be sure, and in each the leaders who held the power used conspicuous forms of control that at least a few people actively resisted and occasionally overcame.

But in the non-fiction bestseller *The Hidden Persuaders* (1957) – recently released in a 50th-anniversary edition – the American journalist Vance Packard described a 'strange and rather exotic' type of influence that was rapidly emerging in the United States and that was, in a way, more threatening than the fictional types of control pictured in the novels.

According to Packard, US corporate executives and politicians were beginning to use subtle and, in many cases, *completely undetectable* methods to change people's thinking, emotions and behaviour based on insights from psychiatry and the social sciences.

Most of us have heard of at least one of these methods: *subliminal stimulation*, or what Packard called 'subthreshold effects' – the presentation of short messages that tell us what to do but that are flashed so briefly we aren't aware we



have seen them.

In 1958, propelled by public concern about a theatre in New Jersey that had supposedly hidden messages in a movie to increase ice cream sales, the National Association of Broadcasters – the association that set standards for US television – amended its code to prohibit the use of subliminal messages in broadcasting.

In 1974, the Federal Communications Commission opined that the use of such messages was 'contrary to the public interest'.

Legislation to prohibit subliminal messaging was also introduced in the US Congress but never enacted.

Both the UK and Australia have strict laws prohibiting it.

Subliminal stimulation is probably still in wide use in the US – it's hard to detect, after all, and no one is keeping track of it – but it's probably not worth worrying about.

Research suggests that it has only a small impact, and that it mainly influences people who are already motivated to follow its dictates; subliminal directives to drink affect people only if they're already thirsty.

Packard had uncovered a much bigger problem, however – namely that powerful corporations were constantly looking for, and in many cases already applying, a wide variety of techniques for controlling people without their knowledge.

He described a kind of cabal in which marketers worked closely with social scientists to determine, among other things, how to get people to buy things they didn't need and how to condition young children to be good consumers – inclinations that were explicitly nurtured and trained in Huxley's *Brave New World*.



Guided by social science, marketers were quickly learning how to play upon people's insecurities, frailties, unconscious fears, aggressive feelings and sexual desires to alter their thinking, emotions and behaviour without any awareness that they were being manipulated.

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By the early 1950s, Packard said, politicians had got the message and were beginning to merchandise themselves using the same subtle forces being used to sell soap. Packard prefaced his chapter on politics with an unsettling quote from the British economist Kenneth Boulding:

"A world of unseen dictatorship is conceivable, still using the forms of democratic government."

Could this really happen, and, if so, how would it work?

The forces that Packard described have become more pervasive over the decades. The soothing music we all hear overhead in supermarkets causes us to walk more slowly and buy more food, whether we need it or not. Most of the vacuous thoughts and intense feelings our teenagers experience from morning till night are carefully orchestrated by highly skilled marketing professionals working in our fashion and entertainment industries.



Yes, New Zealand has a national chain of supermarkets that are actually called New World... where you can take your New World grocery Order - oh the irony

Politicians work with a wide range of consultants who test every aspect of what the politicians do in order to sway voters: clothing, intonations, facial expressions, makeup, hairstyles and speeches are all optimised, just like the packaging of a breakfast cereal.

Fortunately, all of these sources of influence operate competitively. Some of the persuaders want us to buy or believe one thing, others to buy or believe something else. It is the competitive nature of our society that keeps us, on balance, relatively free.

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But what would happen if new sources of control began to emerge that had little or no competition? And what if new means of control were developed that were far more powerful – and far more *invisible* – than any that have existed in the past? And what if new types of control allowed a handful of people to exert enormous influence not just over the citizens of the US but over most of the people on Earth?



It might surprise you to hear this, but these things have already happened.

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To understand how the new forms of mind control work, we need to start by looking at the search engine – one in particular: the biggest and best of them all, namely Google. The Google search engine is so good and so popular that the company's name is now a commonly used verb in languages around the world.

To 'Google' something is to look it up on the Google search engine, and that, in fact, is how most computer users worldwide get most of their information about just about everything these days.

They Google it.

Google has become the main gateway to virtually all knowledge, mainly because the search engine is so good at giving us exactly the information we are looking for, almost instantly and almost always in the first position of the list it shows us after we launch our search – the list of 'search results'.

That ordered list is so good, in fact, that about 50 per cent of our clicks go to the top two items, and more than 90 per cent of our clicks go to the 10 items listed on the first page of results; few people look at other results pages, even though they often number in the thousands, which means they probably contain lots of good information.



Google decides which of the billions of web pages it is going to include in our search results, and it also decides how to rank them. How it decides these things is a deep, dark secret – one of the best-kept secrets in the world, like the formula for Coca-Cola.

Because people are far more likely to read and click on higher-ranked items, companies now spend billions of dollars every year trying to trick Google's search algorithm – the computer program that does the selecting and ranking – into boosting them another notch or two. Moving up a notch can mean the difference between success and failure for a business, and moving into the top slots can be the key to fat profits.

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Late in 2012, I began to wonder whether highly ranked search results could be impacting more than consumer choices. Perhaps, I speculated, a top search result could have a small impact on people's opinions about things. Early in 2013, with my associate Ronald E Robertson of the [American Institute for Behavioral Research and Technology](#) in Vista, California, I put this idea to a test by conducting an experiment in which 102 people from the San Diego area were randomly assigned to one of three groups.

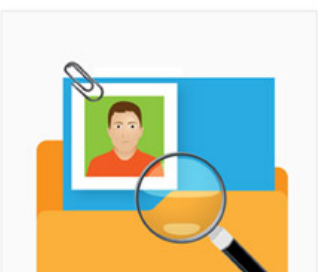
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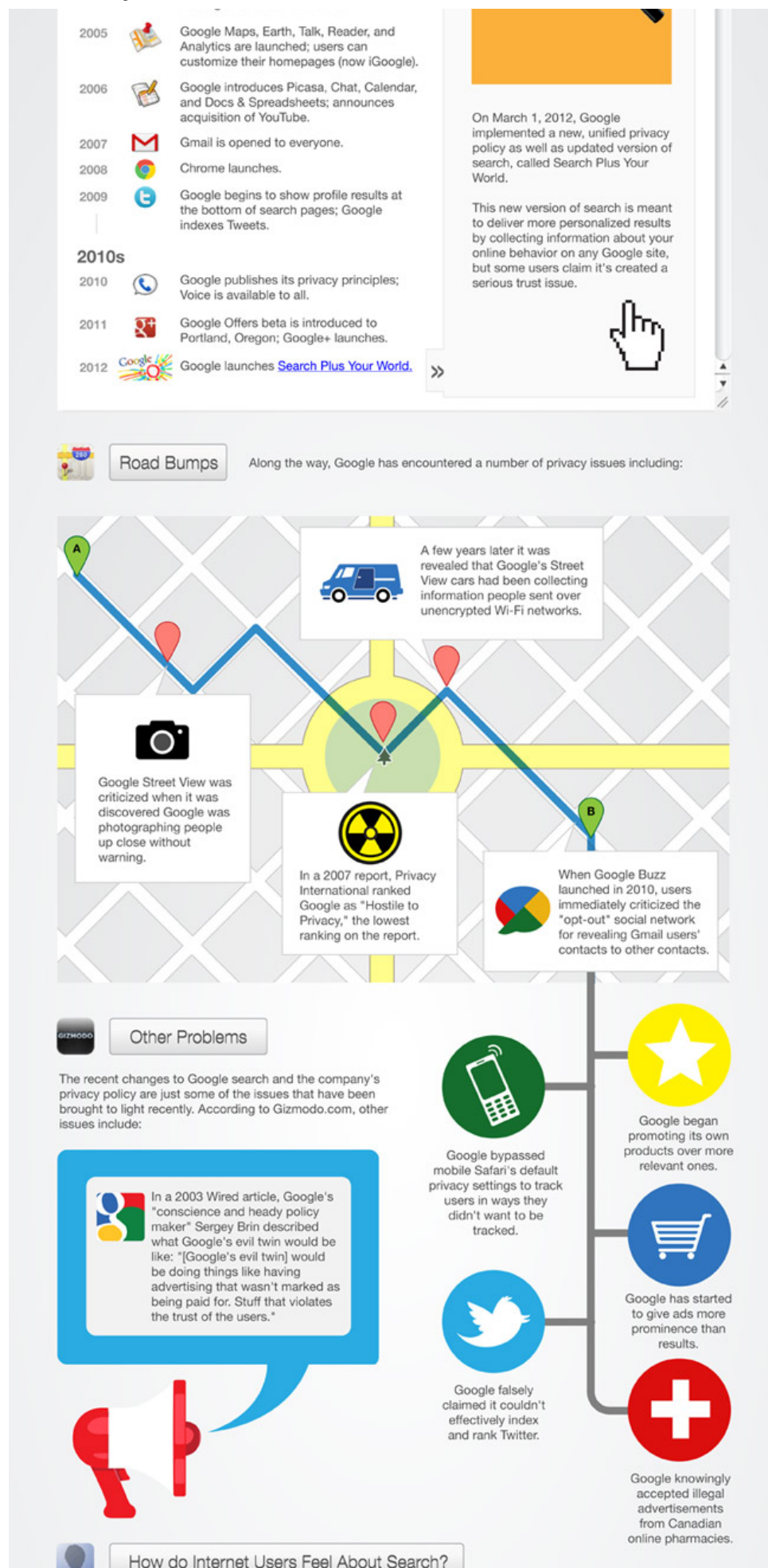
Google's History

"Don't be evil." Google's unofficial corporate motto was originally adopted as a company-wide belief as well as a jab to its competitors. However, Google has come a long way since it was incorporated in 1998, and that has some users wondering if the company's philosophy has changed.

Timeline

1990s		
1998		Google is incorporated.
2000s		
2000		Google Toolbar is released.
2001		Image Search launches; search index grows to 3 billion web documents.
2002		Google News launches.
2004		Google announces its IPO; search index grows to 8 billion items.



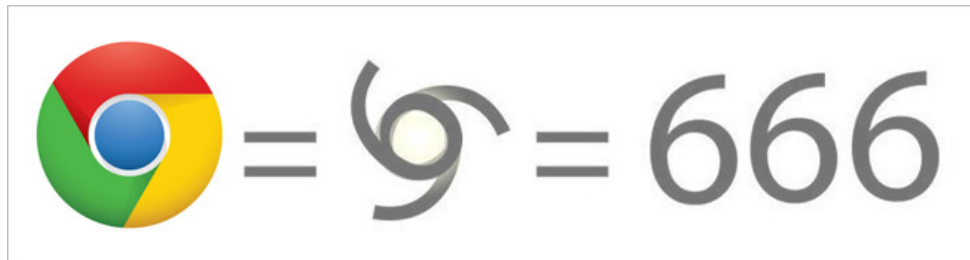




In one group, people saw search results that favoured one political candidate – that is, results that linked to web pages that made this candidate look better than his or her opponent. In a second group, people saw search rankings that favoured the opposing candidate, and in the third group – the control group – people saw a mix of rankings that favoured neither candidate. The same search results and web pages were used in each group; the only thing that differed for the three groups was the ordering of the search results.

To make our experiment realistic, we used real search results that linked to real web pages. We also used a real election – the 2010 election for the prime minister of Australia. We used a foreign election to make sure that our participants were 'undecided'. Their lack of familiarity with the candidates assured this. Through advertisements, we also recruited an ethnically diverse group of registered voters over a wide age range in order to match key demographic characteristics of the US voting population.

All participants were first given brief descriptions of the candidates and then asked to rate them in various ways, as well as to indicate which candidate they would vote for; as you might expect, participants initially favoured neither candidate on any of the five measures we used, and the vote was evenly split in all three groups.



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Then the participants were given up to 15 minutes in which to conduct an online search using 'Kadoodle', our mock search engine, which gave them access to five pages of search results that linked to web pages. People could move freely between search results and web pages, just as we do when using Google. When participants completed their search, we asked them to rate the candidates again, and we also asked them again who they would vote for.

We predicted that the opinions and voting preferences of 2 or 3 per cent of the people in the two bias groups – the groups in which people were seeing rankings favouring one candidate – would shift toward that candidate. What we actually found was astonishing.

The proportion of people favouring the search engine's top-ranked candidate increased by *48.4 per cent*, and all five of our measures shifted toward that candidate. What's more, 75 per cent of the people in the bias groups seemed to have been completely unaware that they were viewing biased search rankings. In the control group, opinions did not shift significantly.

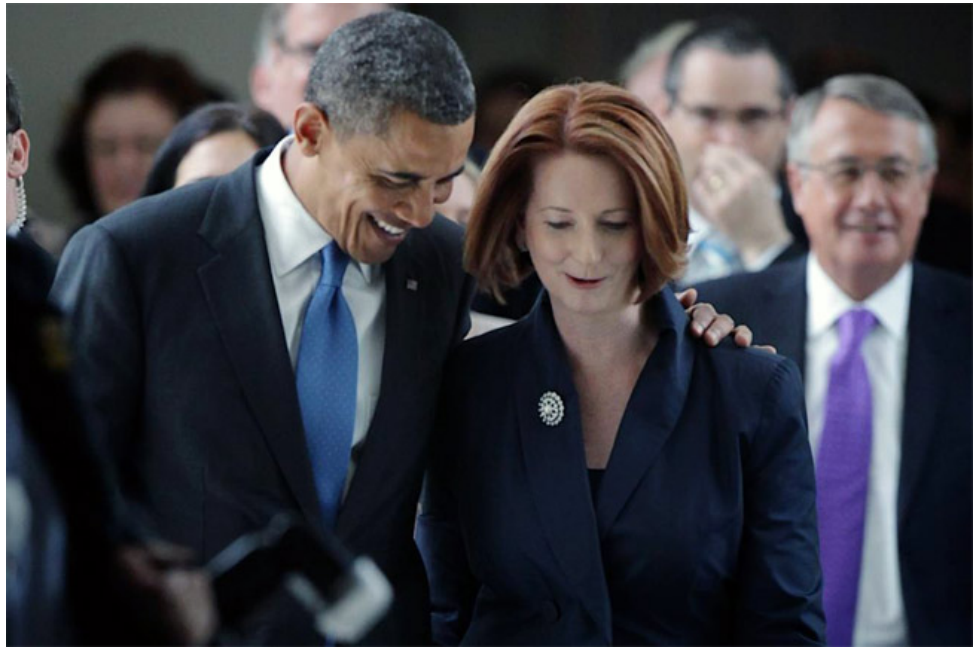


Google's own by-line was a piss take

This seemed to be a major discovery. The shift we had produced, which we called the Search Engine Manipulation Effect (or SEME, pronounced 'seem'), appeared to be one of the largest behavioural effects ever discovered. We did not immediately uncork the Champagne bottle, however. For one thing, we had tested only a small number of people, and they were all from the San Diego area.

Over the next year or so, we replicated our findings three more times, and the third time was with a sample of more than 2,000 people from all 50 US states. In that experiment, the shift in voting preferences was 37.1 per cent and even higher in some demographic groups – as high as 80 per cent, in fact.

We also learned in this series of experiments that by reducing the bias just slightly on the first page of search results – specifically, by including one search item that favoured the *other* candidate in the third or fourth position of the results – we could *mask* our manipulation so that few or even *no* people were aware that they were seeing biased rankings. We could still produce dramatic shifts in voting preferences, but we could do so *invisibly*.



Still no Champagne, though. Our results were strong and consistent, but our experiments all involved a foreign election – that 2010 election in Australia. Could voting preferences be shifted with real voters in the middle of a real campaign? We were skeptical. In real elections, people are bombarded with multiple sources of information, and they also know a lot about the candidates. It seemed unlikely that a single experience on a search engine would have much impact on their voting preferences.

To find out, in early 2014, we went to India just before voting began in the largest democratic election in the world – the Lok Sabha election for prime minister. The three main candidates were Rahul Gandhi, Arvind Kejriwal, and Narendra Modi. Making use of online subject pools and both online and print advertisements, we recruited 2,150 people from 27 of India's 35 states and territories to participate in our experiment. To take part, they had to be registered voters who had not yet voted and who were still undecided about how they would vote.

Participants were randomly assigned to three search-engine groups, favouring, respectively, Gandhi, Kejriwal or Modi. As one might expect, familiarity levels with the candidates was high – between 7.7 and 8.5 on a scale of 10. We predicted that our manipulation would produce a very small effect, if any, but that's not what we found.



This prick is all over the place

On average, we were able to shift the proportion of people favouring any given candidate by more than 20 per cent overall and more than 60 per cent in some demographic groups. Even more disturbing, 99.5 per cent of our participants showed no awareness that they were viewing biased search rankings – in other words, that they were being manipulated.

SEME's near-invisibility is curious indeed. It means that when people – including you and me – are looking at biased search rankings, *they look just fine*. So if right now you Google 'US presidential candidates', the search results you see will probably look fairly random, *even if they happen to favour one candidate*. Even I have trouble detecting bias in search rankings that I *know* to be biased (because they were prepared by my staff).



They can't get rid of you Donald

Yet our randomised, controlled experiments tell us over and over again that when higher-ranked items connect with web pages that favour one candidate, this has a dramatic impact on the opinions of undecided voters, in large part for the simple reason that people tend to click only on higher-ranked items.

This is truly scary: like subliminal stimuli, SEME is a force you can't see; but unlike subliminal stimuli, it has an enormous impact – like Casper the ghost pushing you down a flight of stairs.

We published a detailed [report](#) about our first five experiments on SEME in the prestigious *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences* (PNAS) in August 2015. We had indeed found something important, especially given Google's dominance over search.

Google has a near-monopoly on internet searches in the US, with 83 per cent of Americans specifying Google as the search engine they use most often, according to the [Pew Research Center](#). So if Google favours one candidate in an election, its impact on undecided voters could easily decide the election's outcome.



Keep in mind that we had had only one shot at our participants. What would be the impact of favouring one candidate in searches people are conducting over a period of weeks or months before an election? It would almost certainly be much larger than what we were seeing in our experiments.

Other types of influence during an election campaign are balanced by competing sources of influence – a wide variety of newspapers, radio shows and television networks, for example – but Google, for all intents and purposes, has no competition, and people trust its search results implicitly, assuming that the company's mysterious search algorithm is entirely objective and unbiased.

This high level of trust, combined with the lack of competition, puts Google in a unique position to impact elections. Even more disturbing, the search-ranking business is entirely unregulated, so Google could favour any candidate it likes without violating any laws. [Some courts](#) have even ruled that Google's right to rank-order search results as it pleases is protected as a form of free speech.

Does the company ever favour particular candidates? In the 2012 US presidential election, Google and its top executives donated more than \$800,000 to President Barack Obama and just \$37,000 to his opponent, Mitt Romney.



And in 2015, a team of researchers from the University of Maryland and elsewhere [showed](#) that Google's search results routinely favoured Democratic candidates.

Are Google's search rankings really biased? An [internal report](#) issued by the US Federal Trade Commission in 2012 concluded that Google's search rankings routinely put Google's financial interests ahead of those of their competitors, and anti-trust actions currently under way against Google in both the [European Union](#) and [India](#) are based on similar findings.

In most countries, 90 per cent of online search is conducted on Google, which gives the company even more power to flip elections than it has in the US and, with internet penetration increasing rapidly worldwide, this power is growing.

In our *PNAS* article, Robertson and I calculated that Google now has the power to flip upwards of *25 per cent of the national elections in the world* with no one knowing this is occurring.

In fact, we estimate that, with or without deliberate planning on the part of company executives, Google's search rankings have been impacting elections for years, with growing impact each year. And because search rankings are ephemeral, they leave no paper trail, which gives the company complete deniability.



Power on this scale and with this level of invisibility is unprecedented in human history. But it turns out that our discovery about SEME was just the tip of a very large iceberg.

Recent [reports](#) suggest that the Democratic presidential candidate Hillary Clinton is making heavy use of social media to try to generate support – Twitter, Instagram, Pinterest, Snapchat and Facebook, for starters. At this writing, she has 5.4 million followers on Twitter, and her staff is tweeting several times an hour during waking hours. The Republican frontrunner, Donald Trump, has 5.9 million Twitter followers and is tweeting just as frequently.

Is social media as big a threat to democracy as search rankings appear to be?

Not necessarily.

When new technologies are used competitively, they present no threat. Even though the platforms are new, they are generally being used the same way as billboards and television commercials have been used for decades: you put a

billboard on one side of the street; I put one on the other. I might have the money to erect more billboards than you, but the process is still competitive.

What happens, though, if such technologies are misused by the companies that own them? A [study](#) by Robert M Bond, now a political science professor at Ohio State University, and others published in *Nature* in 2012 described an ethically questionable experiment in which, on election day in 2010, Facebook sent 'go out and vote' reminders to more than 60 million of its users.



The reminders caused about 340,000 people to vote who otherwise would not have. Writing in the [New Republic](#) in 2014, Jonathan Zittrain, professor of international law at Harvard University, pointed out that, given the massive amount of information it has collected about its users, Facebook could easily send such messages only to people who support one particular party or candidate, and that doing so could easily flip a close election – *with no one knowing that this has occurred*. And because advertisements, like search rankings, are ephemeral, manipulating an election in this way would leave no paper trail.

Are there laws prohibiting Facebook from sending out ads selectively to certain users?

Absolutely not; in fact, targeted advertising is how Facebook makes its money.

Is Facebook currently manipulating elections in this way? No one knows, but in my view it would be foolish and possibly even improper for Facebook *not* to do so. Some candidates are better for a company than others, and Facebook's executives have a fiduciary responsibility to the company's stockholders to promote the company's interests.

The Bond study was largely ignored, but [another Facebook experiment](#), published in 2014 in *PNAS*, prompted protests around the world. In this study, for a period of a week, 689,000 Facebook users were sent news feeds that contained either an excess of positive terms, an excess of negative terms, or neither.



Those in the first group subsequently used slightly more positive terms in their communications, while those in the second group used slightly more negative terms in their communications. This was said to show that people's 'emotional states' could be deliberately manipulated on a massive scale by a social media company, an idea that many people found disturbing. People were also upset that a large-scale experiment on emotion had been conducted without the explicit consent of any of the participants.

Facebook's consumer profiles are undoubtedly massive, but they pale in comparison with those maintained by Google, which is collecting information about people 24/7, using [more than 60 different observation platforms](#) – the search engine, of

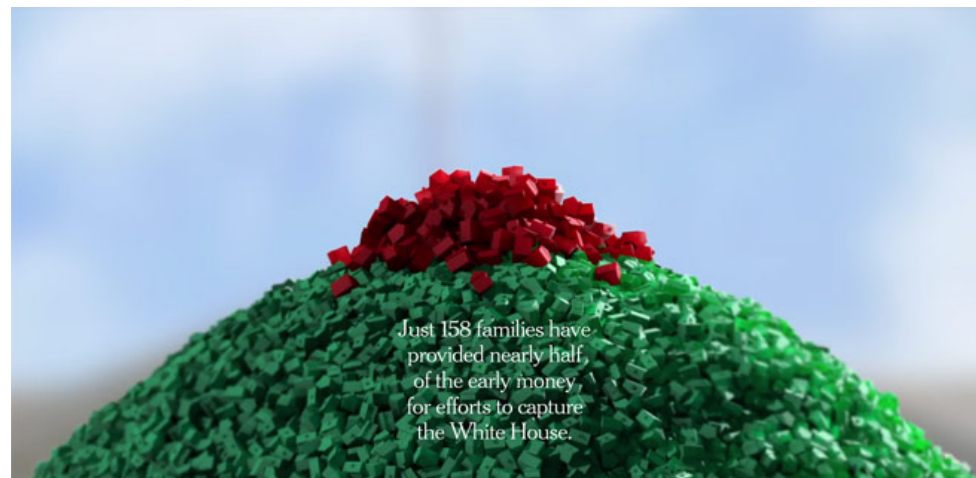
course, but also Google Wallet, Google Maps, Google Adwords, Google Analytics, Chrome, Google Docs, Android, YouTube, and on and on.

Gmail users are generally oblivious to the fact that Google stores and analyses every email they write, even the drafts they never send – as well as all the *incoming* email they receive from both Gmail and non-Gmail users.

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According to Google's [privacy policy](#) – to which one assents whenever one uses a Google product, even when one has not been informed that he or she is using a Google product – Google can share the information it collects about you with almost anyone, including government agencies. But never with *you*. Google's privacy is sacrosanct; yours is nonexistent.

Could Google and 'those we work with' (language from the privacy policy) use the information they are amassing about you for nefarious purposes – to manipulate or coerce, for example? Could inaccurate information in people's profiles (which people have no way to correct) limit their opportunities or ruin their reputations?



Certainly, if Google set about to fix an election, it could first dip into its massive database of personal information to identify just those voters who are undecided. Then it could, day after day, send customised rankings favouring one candidate to *just those people*. One advantage of this approach is that it would make Google's manipulation extremely difficult for investigators to detect.

Extreme forms of monitoring, whether by the KGB in the Soviet Union, the Stasi in East Germany, or Big Brother in 1984, are essential elements of all tyrannies, and technology is making both monitoring and the consolidation of surveillance data easier than ever.

By 2020, China will have put in place the most ambitious government monitoring system ever created – a single database called the [Social Credit System](#), in which multiple ratings and records for all of its 1.3 billion citizens are recorded for easy access by officials and bureaucrats. At a glance, they will know whether someone has plagiarised schoolwork, was tardy in paying bills, urinated in public, or blogged inappropriately online.



As Edward Snowden's revelations made clear, we are rapidly moving toward a world in which both governments and corporations – sometimes working together – are collecting massive amounts of data about every one of us every day, with few or no laws in place that restrict how those data can be used.

When you combine the data collection with the desire to control or manipulate, the possibilities are endless, but perhaps the most frightening possibility is the one expressed in Boulding's assertion that an 'unseen dictatorship' was possible 'using the forms of democratic government'.

Since Robertson and I submitted our initial report on SEME to *PNAS* early in 2015, we have completed a sophisticated

series of experiments that have greatly enhanced our understanding of this phenomenon, and other experiments will be completed in the coming months. We have a much better sense now of why SEME is so powerful and how, to some extent, it can be suppressed.



We have also learned something very disturbing – that search engines are influencing far more than what people buy and whom they vote for. We now have evidence suggesting that on virtually all issues where people are initially undecided, search rankings are impacting almost every decision that people make.

They are having an impact on the opinions, beliefs, attitudes and behaviours of internet users worldwide – entirely without people's knowledge that this is occurring.

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This is happening with or without deliberate intervention by company officials; even so-called 'organic' search processes regularly generate search results that favour one point of view, and that in turn has the potential to tip the opinions of millions of people who are undecided on an issue. In one of our recent experiments, biased search results shifted people's opinions about the value of fracking by 33.9 per cent.

Perhaps even more disturbing is that the handful of people who do show awareness that they are viewing biased search rankings shift *even further* in the predicted direction; simply knowing that a list is biased doesn't necessarily protect you from SEME's power.

Similarly, we modify the precision and recall estimates:

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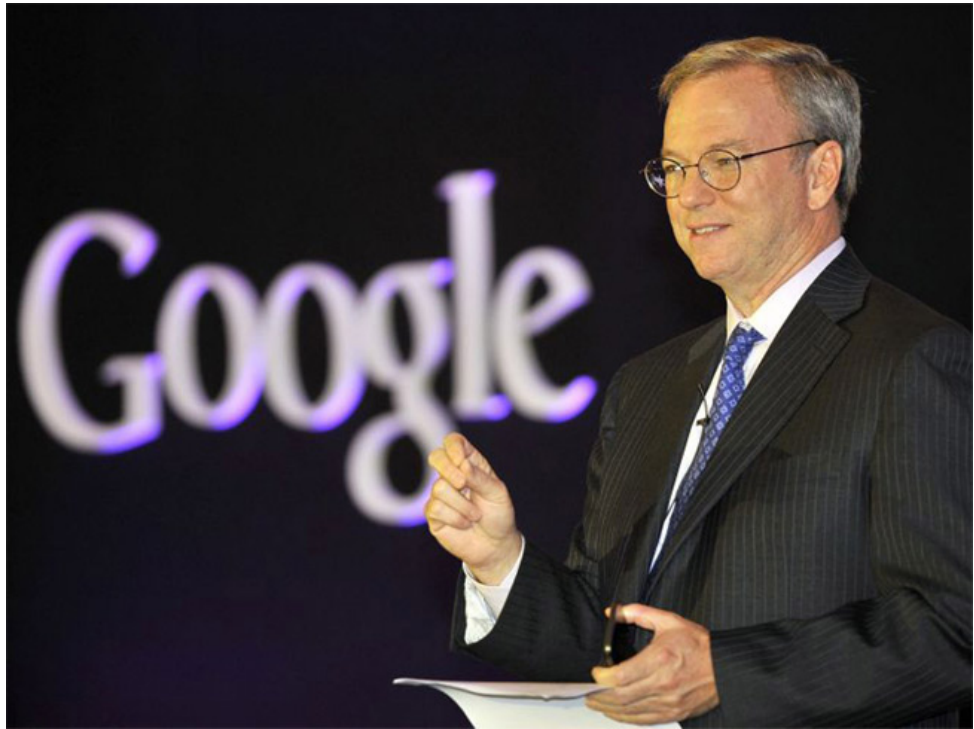
Remember what the search algorithm is doing: in response to your query, it is *selecting* a handful of webpages from among the billions that are available, and it is *ordering* those webpages using secret criteria.

Seconds later, the decision you make or the opinion you form – about the best toothpaste to use, whether fracking is safe, where you should go on your next vacation, who would make the best president, or whether global warming is real – is determined by that short list you are shown, even though you have no idea how the list was generated.

Related: [Google Should Apply 'Right To Be Forgotten' Worldwide – EU Watchdogs](#)

Meanwhile, behind the scenes, a consolidation of search engines has been quietly taking place, so that more people are using the dominant search engine even when they think they are not. Because Google is the best search engine, and because crawling the rapidly expanding internet has become prohibitively expensive, more and more search engines are drawing their information from the leader rather than generating it themselves.

The most recent deal, revealed in a [Securities and Exchange Commission filing](#) in October 2015, was between Google and Yahoo! Inc.



Looking ahead to the November 2016 US presidential election, I see clear signs that Google is backing Hillary Clinton. In April 2015, Clinton hired [Stephanie Hannon](#) away from Google to be her chief technology officer and, a few months ago, Eric Schmidt, chairman of the holding company that controls Google, [set up a semi-secret company](#) – The Groundwork – for the specific purpose of putting Clinton in office. The formation of The Groundwork prompted Julian Assange, founder of Wikileaks, to dub Google Clinton's '[secret weapon](#)' in her quest for the US presidency.

We now estimate that Hannon's old friends have the power to drive between 2.6 and 10.4 million votes to Clinton on election day with no one knowing that this is occurring and without leaving a paper trail. They can also help her win the nomination, of course, by influencing undecided voters during the primaries. Swing voters have always been the key to winning elections, and there has never been a more powerful, efficient or inexpensive way to sway them than SEME.



We are living in a world in which a handful of high-tech companies, sometimes working hand-in-hand with governments, are not only monitoring much of our activity, but are also invisibly controlling more and more of what we think, feel, do and say.

The technology that now surrounds us is not just a harmless toy; it has also made possible undetectable and untraceable manipulations of entire populations – manipulations that have no precedent in human history and that are currently well beyond the scope of existing regulations and laws. The new hidden persuaders are bigger, bolder and badder than anything Vance Packard ever envisioned. If we choose to ignore this, we do so at our peril.

Unleashing GCSB To Spy On Kiwis One More Step On Road To Police State

March 15 2016 | From: [TheDailyBlog](#)

The Anti-Bases Campaign is appalled by the recommendations made in the newly-released Intelligence Agencies review.



The authors have proposed overthrowing a basic tenet of spy operations in this country and paved the way for a massive expansion in surveillance of NZ citizens.

This is just another retrograde step on the road to a police state.

Previous restrictions on domestic spying by the Government Communications Security Bureau (GCSB) are to be removed; the basic democratic protection against the spies turning their cutting edge mass surveillance machinery on domestic life is to be eliminated.

The report justifies the increasing power of the agencies by proposing more transparency and oversight.

Ironically, Sir Michael Cullen, the key author of the report, is the man who exemplifies the inadequacy of trying to monitor these organisations as he was the person who, when he was in Government, continually gave false assurances denying illegal activity in the past.



The glaring deficiency in the review is the complete lack of consideration of the activities of the Five Eyes system which are the major part of the GCSB activities.

The super-secret group carries out operations designed to give Washington the means to manipulate political, economic and diplomatic activities around the world.

NZ's part in this is despicable and reprehensible.

Any suggestion that oversight by a handful of Kiwi commissioners will reveal the truth about the operations being carried out by Five Eyes is laughable.

New Zealand, instead, needs to follow the example of Canada, one of our four Big Brothers in Five Eyes. Canada has suspended sharing Canadians' metadata with its Five Eyes partners until it is satisfied about safeguards.



Related: [Canada stops sharing Five Eyes data](#)

NZ can only restore its reputation in the world by closing down the Waihopai spy base and pulling out of the Five Eyes system.

Plus it needs to close down the SIS and transfer its functions to the Police who (theoretically at least) have to justify their actions in a court of law.

Oliver Stone Reveals Clandestine Meetings With Edward Snowden, NSA Worries

March 15 2016 | From: [HollywoodReporter](#)

“We moved to Germany, because we did not feel comfortable in the U.S.,” the director says about his upcoming movie about government whistle-blower Edward Snowden, played by Joseph Gordon-Levitt.



Fears of interference by the National Security Agency led Oliver Stone to shoot *Snowden*, his upcoming movie about government whistle-blower Edward Snowden, outside the United States.

“We moved to Germany, because we did not feel comfortable in the U.S.,” Stone said on March 6, speaking before an audience at the Sun Valley Film Festival in Idaho, in a Q&A moderated by The Hollywood Reporter’s Stephen Galloway.

“We felt like we were at risk here. We didn’t know what the NSA might do, so we ended up in Munich, which was a beautiful experience.”

Even there, problems arose with companies that had connections to the U.S., he said: “The American subsidiary says, ‘You can’t get involved with this; we don’t want our name on it.’ So BMW couldn’t even help us in any way in Germany.”

While in Sun Valley, the three-time Oscar winner held a private screening of *Snowden* for an invited audience of around two dozen. Those who attended the screening, at the former home of Ernest Hemingway, included actress Melissa Leo, who



Guests were required to sign non-disclosure agreements, but that did not prevent three of them from speaking to this reporter. All praised the work-in-progress. "What he did that's so brilliant is, he gave this kid's whole back story, so you really like him," said one audience member.

When Stone (whose films include *Platoon*, *Born on the Fourth of July* and *Wall Street*) was first approached to make the movie, he hesitated. He had been working on another controversial subject, about the last few years in the life of Martin Luther King Jr., and did not immediately wish to tackle something that incendiary again.

"Glenn Greenwald [the journalist who worked with Poitras to break the Snowden story] asked me some advice and I just wanted to stay away from controversy," he said.

"I didn't want this. Be that as it may, a couple of months later, the Russian lawyer for Snowden contacts me via my producer. The Russian lawyer told me to come to Russia and wanted me to meet him. One thing led to another, and basically I got hooked."

In Moscow, Stone met multiple times with Snowden, who has been living in exile in Russia since evading the U.S. government's attempts to arrest him for espionage.

"He's articulate, smart, very much the same," he said. "I've been seeing him off and on for a year - actually, more than that. I saw him last week or two weeks ago to show him the final film."

He added: *"He is consistent: he believes so thoroughly in reform of the Internet that he has devoted himself to this cause... Because of the Russian hours, he stays up all night. He's a night owl, and he's always in touch [with the outside world], and he's working on some kind of constitution for the Internet with other people. So he's very busy.*

And he stays in that 70-percent-computer world. He's on another planet that way. His sense of humor has gotten bigger, his tolerance. He's not really in Russia in his mind - he's in some planetary position up there. And Lindsay Mills, the woman he's loved for 10 years - really, it's a serious affair - has moved there to be with him."

Spending time with Snowden, and researching what happened to him, Stone said, "It's an amazing story. Here's a young man, 30 years old at that time, and he does something that's so powerful. Who at 30 years old would do that, sacrificing his life in that way? We met with him many times in Moscow, and we did a lot more research, and we went ahead." He added, "I think he's a historical figure of great consequence."

Despite the director's involvement in the movie, which stars Joseph Gordon-Levitt as Snowden and Shailene Woodley as Mills, "No studio would support it," he said.

"It was extremely difficult to finance, extremely difficult to cast. We were doing another one of these numbers I had done before, where preproduction is paid for by essentially the producer and myself, where you're living on a credit card."

Eventually, financing came through from France and Germany. "The contracts were signed, like eight days before we started," he noted.

"It's a very strange thing to do [a story about] an American man, and not be able to finance this movie in America. And that's very disturbing, if you think about its implications on any subject that is not overtly pro-American."

They say we have freedom of expression; but thought is financed, and thought is controlled, and the media is controlled. This country is very tight on that, and there's no criticism allowed at a certain level. You can make movies about civil rights leaders who are dead, but it's not easy to make one about a current man."

Snowden Official Teaser Trailer (2015) - Joseph Gordon-Levitt Dram.. ⌚ ➦



Snowden opens in the U.S. on September 16.

U.S. Military Spending Millions To Make Cyborgs A Reality

March 10 2016 | From: [CNN](#)

The U.S. military is spending millions on an advanced implant that would allow a human brain to communicate directly with computers.



If it succeeds, cyborgs will be a reality. The Pentagon's research arm, the Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency (DARPA), hopes the implant will allow humans to directly interface with computers, which could benefit people with aural and visual disabilities, such as veterans injured in combat.

The goal of the proposed implant is to "open the channel between the human brain and modern electronics" according to DARPA's program manager, Phillip Alvelda.

In January, DARPA announced it plans to spend up to \$62 million on the project, which is part of its Neural Engineering System Design program. The implant would be small -- no larger than one cubic centimeter, or roughly the size of two stacked nickels -- according to DARPA.

The implantable device aims to convert neurons in the brain into electronic signals and provide unprecedented "data-transfer bandwidth between the human brain and the digital world," according to a DARPA statement announcing the new project.



DARPA sees the implant as providing a foundation for new therapies that could help people with deficits in sight or hearing by "feeding digital auditory or visual information into the brain."

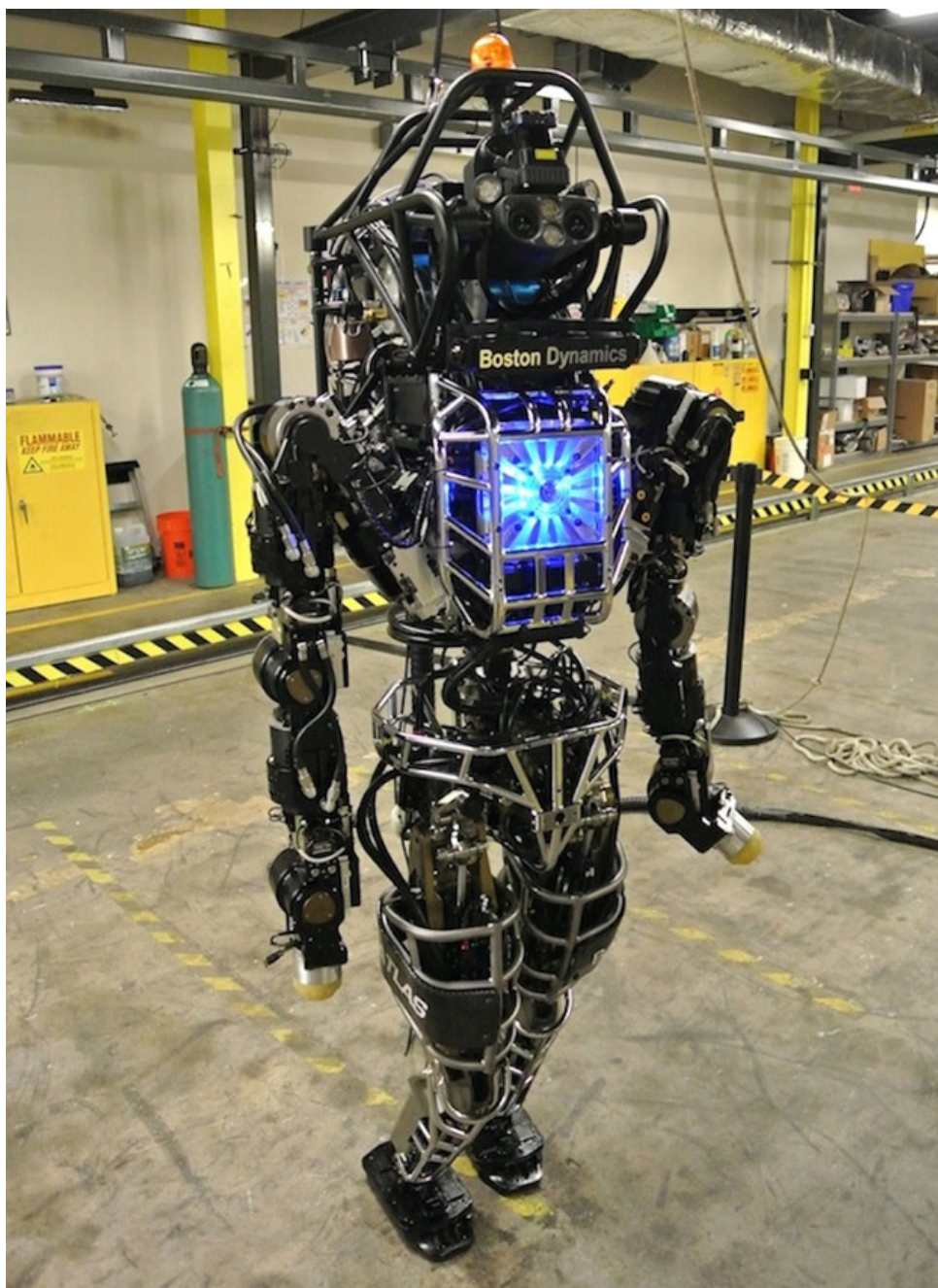
A spokesman for DARPA told CNN that the program is not intended for military applications.

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But some experts see such an implant as having the potential for numerous applications, including military ones, in the field of wearable robotics -- which aims to augment and restore human performance.

Conor Walsh, a professor of mechanical and biomedical engineering at Harvard University, told CNN that the implant would "change the game," adding that "in the future, wearable robotic devices will be controlled by implants."

Walsh sees the potential for wearable robotic devices or exoskeletons in everything from helping a medical patient recover from a stroke to enhancing soldiers' capabilities in combat.



Yep, they're doing Terminators too. And they aren't all so camp

The U.S. military is currently developing a battery-powered exoskeleton, the Tactical Assault Light Operator Suit, to provide superior protection from enemy fire and in-helmet technologies that boost the user's communications ability and vision.

The suits' development is being overseen by U.S. Special Operations Command.

In theory, the proposed neural implant would allow the military member operating the suit to more effectively control the armored exoskeleton while deployed in combat.

However, Steven Pinker, a cognitive scientist and professor of psychology at Harvard, was skeptical of the proposed innovation, calling the idea a "bunch of hype with no results." He told CNN, *"We have little to no idea how exactly the brain codes complex information"* and cited the problems from foreign objects triggering brain inflammation that can cause serious neurological issues.



And this weird shit - a Terminator cow?

Pinker described "neural enhancement" for healthy brains as being a "boondoggle," but he suggested that there could be some benefit for people suffering from brain-related diseases such as amyotrophic lateral sclerosis (ALS), also known as Lou Gehrig's disease.

In its announcement, DARPA acknowledged that an implant is still a long ways away, with breakthroughs in neuroscience, synthetic biology, low-power electronics, photonics and medical-device manufacturing needed before the device could be used.

DARPA plans to recruit a diverse set of experts in an attempt to accelerate the project's development, according to its statement announcing the project.

Pinker remained skeptical, however, telling CNN: *"My guess is that it's a waste of taxpayer dollars."*



Cashless Crisis: "With Digital Payments, Civilization Comes To An End Until Power Is Restored"

February 28 2016 | From: [SHTFPlan](#)

As most of the Western world is [pushed into abandoning cash](#) and embracing a fully digital cashless grid, it is apparent how vulnerable populations will become in times of crisis.



If the power grid were to go down in a storm or an attack, it is readily apparent that the system of commerce would go down with it; payments would stop and desperate people would line up for help.

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Those with their own supplies, barter items and physical commodities will remain the most comfortable, but the very fabric of society could come unglued.

Will they really [ban cash](#) when so much could go wrong?

Paul-Martin Foss writes for the [Carl Menger Center](#):

"Cash is being displaced by credit and debit cards, which are themselves beginning to be displaced by new digital currencies and payment systems..."

But despite all the advances brought about by the digital revolution, there are still quite a few drawbacks. The most obvious is that it is reliant on electricity. One major hurricane knocking out power, a mid-summer brownout, or a hacker attack on the power grid could bring commerce to a halt.

With cash, transactions are still possible. With digital payments, civilization comes to an end until power is restored. Unless you have food stored or goods with which to barter, you're out of luck. Just imagine a city like New York with no power and no way to buy or sell anything. It won't be pretty.

[...]

With digital currencies such as Bitcoin, there is the problem that they are created out of thin air. One bitcoin represents the successful completion of a cryptographic puzzle, but all that means is that some computing power was used up to create a unique electronic file. That's all it is, just a series of ones and zeros.

There is nothing tangible about Bitcoin and, indeed, if you lose the hard drive on which you stored your bitcoins, those bitcoins are lost forever."

On top of that, the potential for manipulation and the built-in assault of surveillance and tracking is enough to cripple liberties in the world that is cementing its patterns around this new technology.



Related: [When Cash Is Outlawed... Only Outlaws Will Have Cash](#)

What happens when online platforms don't like your speech or your rights? What happens if their policy blocks you from buying something – like a gun – that you have the right to buy, or prevents you from spending your money, potentially freezing your account without notice. Again, the [Menger Center](#) makes the point:

“Take a look at PayPal, for instance. PayPal’s terms of service forbid use of the service to buy or sell firearms, firearms parts, or firearms accessories. Many individuals who have used PayPal to sell firearms parts find their accounts frozen or shut down by PayPal.

Similar things have happened to gun stores having their bank accounts frozen or having their credit card payment processors refuse to process...

[...]

Cases such as this will only be more widespread in the future, especially as governments continue to pursue the war on cash. If cash is eliminated and electronic systems become the only way anyone can pay for anything, all it will take is a little bit of government pressure on payment system operators to stop processing payments for X or Y and voila, you can no longer buy X or Y.

What good is money in the bank if you can't use it to buy what you want? In fact, governments may dispense with pressure on payment systems and just monitor transactions as they occur, automatically rejecting payments for goods they don't want ...

Every transaction made electronically can be tracked and traced. If every purchase you make is done electronically, your entire purchase history is open to scrutiny.”

The [powerful banking lobby](#), of course, wants a digital cashless system, because it will enrich them with transaction fees and penalties, continue and expand fractional reserve lending, and give them the power to [monitor all the transactions](#), at detailed levels with data for every purchase. But despite this monitoring, money and transactions will not necessarily be more secure.

You cannot “hold” your money, you must be able to access it, and that depends upon authorization of the system. It can be hacked or erased in a split second.

Can you keep the financial system from [limiting your rights](#) and invading your privacy?

Keiser Report: War on Cash



And how would America under the digital grid – perhaps 10x worse than [Greece when the ATM's](#) are shut down, the banks closed, the grid off and cash eradicated, while the population is forced under the yoke.

Not only is this grid vulnerable, but it is also becoming unavoidable.

Read more:

[Banning Cash “Necessary to Give Central Banks More Power”](#)

[Cash Ban: Greeks Face “Permanent Cash Controls and Compulsory Use of Plastic Money”](#)

[Once Cash Is Banned They Will Be Able To Force You To Buy Products: “Just Tax Their Excess Account Balance”](#)

[Americans Face Impoverishing War on Cash: “More Big Banks Are Shunning Cash”](#)

[Want Cash? Next-Gen ATMs Demand Biometric Verification: “Smartphone and Eye Scan To Dispense Money”](#)



Reality Check: Why McAfee Says FBI Really Wants To End Encryption, Not Hack Just One iPhone

February 26 2016 | From: [TruthInMedia](#)

By now you know that the FBI is demanding and a federal magistrate judge is ordering [Apple](#) to build a backdoor to its operating system.



The Federal Bureau of Investigation says they need it for only one phone, only this one time. But nobody is buying that, including the man who says if that is true, he can do it.

This is a [Reality Check](#) you won't see anywhere else.

The case involves an iPhone belonging to one of the San Bernardino shooters, Syed Farook. Farook's iPhone, which was given to him by his government employer, is locked and the FBI says they can't get into it unless they get help from Apple.

So what exactly is the FBI asking for?



To be clear, Apple cannot extract information directly from Farook's - or anyone else's - iPhone. That is because all data on an iPhone is encrypted.

The security measures for iOS 8, which rolled out in 2014, ensure that no one, not even Apple, can access information on an iPhone by sneaking through a software "backdoor."

Now a federal judge says Apple has to create that backdoor. Apple says they fight this all the way to the Supreme Court.



[John McAfee](#) is the creator of McAfee security software and is one of the foremost cyber security experts in the world. I spoke to him by Skype, and he says this fight is really over encryption as a whole.

"The problem is that once you put a backdoor into a piece of software, every hacker in the world is going to find it and use it, and [then] we're in a world of hurt," he says.

McAfee says that if the FBI is telling the truth about their intentions and they really need to get into just this one, then he and his team of hackers have agreed to hack that San Bernardino shooter's phone for the FBI for free. And he says they can do it in less than three weeks.

"But what I have done is said, look, you know, if in fact you are sincere in wanting to get access to just that one phone, my team and I will do it," he says.

"We can crack it - easily. I guarantee it. There is no un-crackable encryption. We all know that.

They have not responded [to my offer] and I do not think they will because it's not just that one phone they want. They want a key to everyone's phone."



McAfee does say there is a bigger issue at hand, because what the FBI and the federal government is actually doing here is a move that will destroy encryption. In an op-ed he writes;

"After years of arguments by virtually every industry specialist that back doors will be a bigger boon to hackers and to our nation's enemies than publishing our nuclear codes.

"We all say the same thing," McAfee says. "You can't do it and keep us safe as a nation. . . . And you can't do it and keep us safe as individuals. 'Cause I guarantee that once that backdoor goes in, all of our bank accounts are going to be emptied by the the bad hackers. All of our social security numbers are going to be known."

What you need to know is that if McAfee is right, the FBI can demonstrate their true intentions easily. Let the nation's best hackers open that one phone. But if this move is as many people believe - actually a move to force Apple to end encryption - then the ramifications are much bigger than government and terrorists.

Breaking encryption will impact every American's privacy, banking, finances and online identity. Encryption isn't the tool that bad guys use to hide. It is the only thing that actually can make you safe online.

Mark Zuckerberg Is Claimed To Be David Rockefeller's Grandson - Facebook Started With \$500 Million From The C.I.A.

February 24 2016 | From: [GoldSilver](#) / [TapNewsWire](#)

With all the talk about Facebook of late and the most recent bans / blocking / censorship I thought I would add my 2 cents and perhaps let people know a bit about this lad.

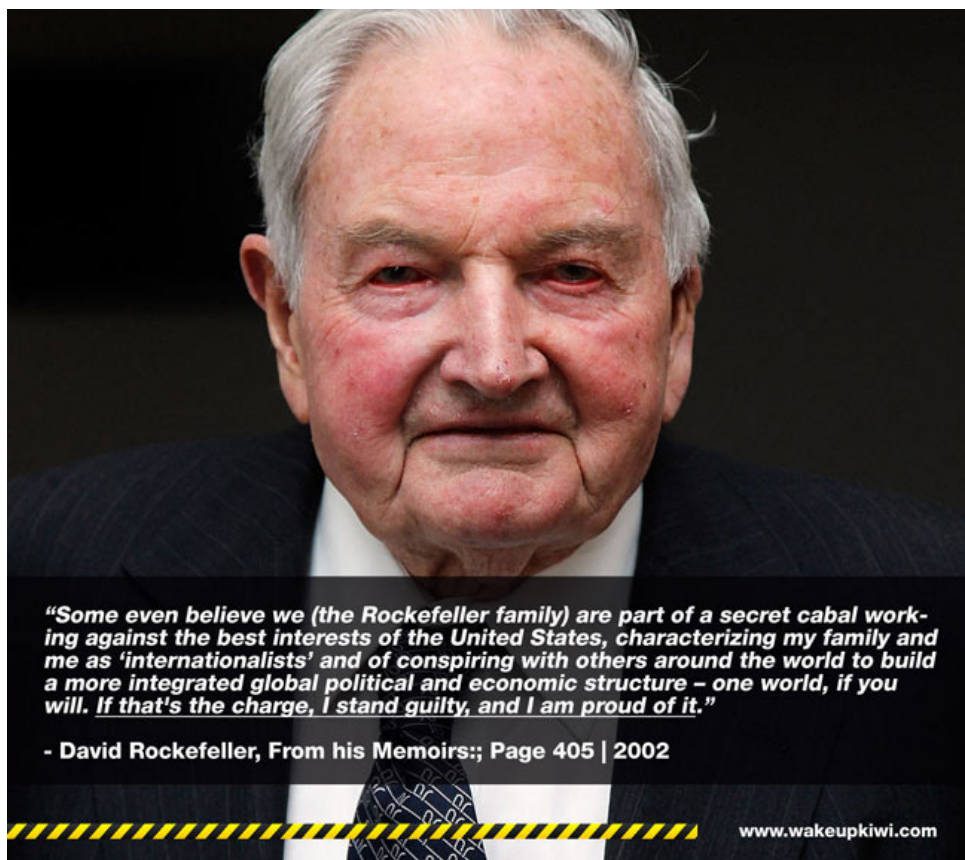


You know when this guy popped on the scene I was curious how he could do such a big start up. So I checked him out.

Mark Kuckerberg was revealed by the [TapNewsWire](#). His two grandfathers are David Rockefeller and Maurice (Hank) Greenberg of AIG fame. He has an agenda, in service to the Cabal. Hell, Bill Clinton is apparently the greatgrandson of JD Rockefeller.

The change of name is I am sure deliberate to hide who he is as well as his arrest for pot. It doesn't mean anything to me I was just curious and now with all the new nonsense I wanted to see if anyone else knew this?

The Face on Facebook belongs to Mark Zukerberg the alleged homosexual from upstate New York. But what is the most important is that his Grandfather is the 100 year old David Rockefeller. You know the one from the Trilateral Commision, The Bilderberg Group, Owner of the Chase Manhattan Bank, Council on Foreign Relations.



You read this guys bio and its like a who's who of the NWO planners. The Likes of Henry Kissenger, who refers to us as useless eaters, Allen Dulles who was implicated in the Kennedy assassination. Board of Directors of Exxon, J P Morgan Chase.

This guy is friends with every piece of trash that wants us all dead. And then we have his son David who's son is Mark Zuckerberg whos net worth is estimated at 35.7 BILLION. Sick yet? Why he has a different name I have no idea.

A search does not reveal the names of his parents. It does list his wife Pricella Chan. So he's 31 years old with bags full of money and the son of David Rockefeller. I have known this for a long time and I just assumed everyone else knew. So if you did forgive me if you didn't it should make a few balls fall into place.

Zuckerberg means 'sugar mountain'. That's their secret word for Facebook no doubt. A mountain of information from which they can extract billions. Bill Gates comes from a multibillionaire eugenicist family, which was kept well hidden in the early years of Microsoft. The same families control it all. Yet is this story true?



That is actually what his business card says:



Related: [Mark Zuckerberg Is Claimed To Be Grandson Of David Rockefeller](#)

It has been revealed that Mark Zuckerberg is the grandson of **David Rockefeller**. His true name is **Jacob Greenberg**, also grandson to **Hank Greenberg**. He is royalty.

Some police records show a Jacob Greenberg was arrested for possession of marijuana when a much younger man. His mugshot was taken, which looks like a younger *FaceBook* icon with 99% reliability. It was later revealed that this could indeed be the man the world knows as **Mark Zuckerberg**.

Also, the **Rothschilds** own 8% of *FaceBook* shares. The hidden agenda for the *FaceBook* social network is **to aid the growth of the police state and one world government movement**.



Jacob Rothschild and David Rockefeller

According to the *TAP Blog*, the venture *Facebook* was funded with **\$500 million from a CIA owned bank**. One can only wonder if the other giant **Google** has similar disguised progeny. The adopted name Zuckerberg means sugar mountain in German.

The fast rising social network is indeed a mountain of information from which they can extract \$billions. In recent weeks, the face of *FaceBook* has been revealed, as numerous members making comments about their support for gun ownership **have had their FB accounts frozen**, Big Brother at work.

The *Tap Blog* is a collective of motivated researchers and writers who join forces to distribute information and voice opinions avoided by the world's media. Unless you wish to provide the nefarious leadership crew a constant trail for your life, complete with various control gates, close your *FaceBook* account.



See the *YouTube* video that sheds more light on Big Brother . For years the Jackass has refused all invitations, since many of them are actually generated from the FB kitchen in false manner, verified numerous times. *FaceBook* attempts to expand from computer derived invitations, not human ones, like an electronic cancer. Refusals for *LinkedIn* and other social media networks are also routinely done.

The Jackass would like to add some other famous family lines. **Jimmy Carter** was fathered by **Joe Kennedy Sr.** Thus he is half brother to **John, Robert, and Edward** from *Camelot*.

It seems that **Miss Lillian** the mother was Joe's secretary, with more than dictation being taken by the woman when under the elder's employ. That explains why Jimmy never had a father revealed during his presidency. Not to be outdone, **William Jefferson Clinton** is great grandson to **John D Rockefeller** the oil magnate.



John D Rockefeller

Bill Clinton was selected, due to his penchant for bond fraud and keen interest in **cocaine binges**. After his election and residence at the Arkansas governor mansion, **the AirForce base nearby to Little Rock had its runway lengthened three-fold by the CIA**. It was then suitable to accommodate the larger aircraft that transported **narcotics to Panama**.

The hidden Camelot US Royalty of elite scum goes on.

Stop Censorship: Time For Us All To Finally Break Google, Facebook and Twitter?

February 23 2016 | From: [TheLastGreatStand](#)

As much as I hate to read that there are other people on the various different social platforms like Google, Facebook, and Twitter who are having the same kinds of problems I am facing when it comes to censorship, reading both the articles referenced below almost provided a sense of satisfaction that I'm not imagining things.



As the video and articles below detail, the level of censorship being used by Google, Facebook, and Twitter today is bordering on simply "unbelievable" to anyone who isn't experiencing it first hand.

When trying to explain to a person who isn't being censored, the extent to which many of us are being silenced daily, often times we're looked at like we have five heads.

The news media's job is to report "news," and yet despite social media giants like Google, Facebook, and Twitter silencing an entire nations of people on social media, the mainstream media says nothing. Why? Because they're all part of the same giant machine pushing for socialism.

The United States is truly entering very troubling times right now, as we head full throttle towards the next iteration of a failed socialist state. Never before in history has a country the size of the United States had any measure of success under socialist principles, but that fact is completely lost on so many of today's Americans whose only concern seems to be, "What can you do for ME?"



Thanks to the uber liberal Department of Indoctrination... excuse me... I mean Department of Education... our school system has become an abject failure. It shocks the conscious that young people are graduating from universities today with so little "knowledge" of history, that they are flocking to Bernie Sanders in droves because he's promising them "free college tuition."

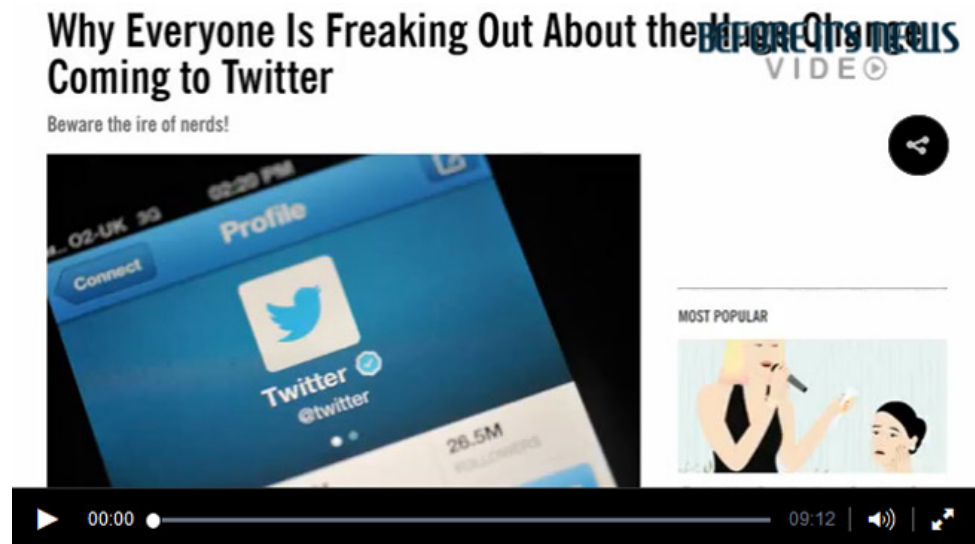
They lack the critical thinking skills that would enable them to see past the instant gratification “wants” that idiots like Obama, or Clinton, or Sanders provide for them. As a society, we have failed these young people. How is it that an entire generation cannot grasp the fact that, “*there is no such thing as a free lunch?*”

Last century alone, the utopia promised by Socialist / Marxist / Communist politicians who promised a more “fair” and “equitable” lifestyle for their people came at a cost of almost 100 MILLION dead human beings. The notion that, “*it will be different this time,*” is only further proof we’ve failed the youth and our education system is broken. George Santayana once famously said:

“When change is absolute there remains no being to improve and no direction is set for possible improvement: and when experience is not retained, as among savages, infancy is perpetual.

Those who cannot remember the past are condemned to repeat it.”

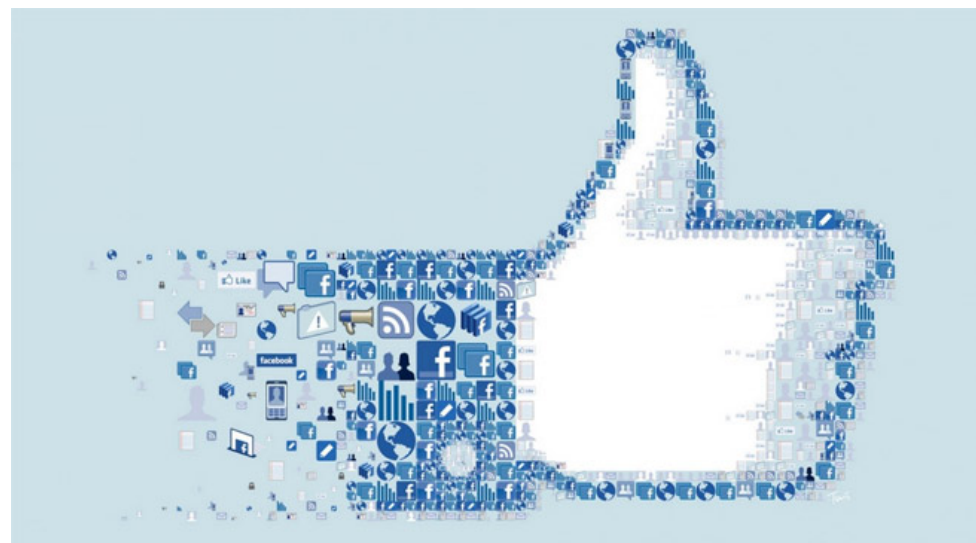
In the following video, the narrator discusses a topic that is becoming all too familiar to some Americans. Luke Rudkowski talks about the shocking and sad news about Twitter’s new algorithm along with their new “Trust and Safety Council” that will be used to censor any conservative leaning voices on what was once a platform of free speech.



In the video above, Rudkowski refers to what he calls the “Death of Twitter.” Much like Facebook, and other social mediums he explains how Twitter is no longer interested in what YOU want to get information about. Instead, Twitter is now using brand new ad friendly and brand friendly algorithms that will TELL you what you should be interested in.

If your belief system or values don’t align with those of a far left persuasion, and you decide to voice those beliefs, you can expect to get your account suspended or thrown in the “Twitter Gulag” for some indefinite amount of time.

Keep in mind, Twitter’s suspension ban, and locking notifications do not inform users which rule they have supposedly broken, instead Twitter simply states that the user has somehow impinged on the the terms of service, and their account is suspended.



Finding out the reason an account has been punished is generally impossible on Google, Facebook, or Twitter. After first receiving an email from Facebook with a survey saying I was one of their “most valuable advertisers,” I responded asking:

"As one of Facebook's "most valuable advertisers," why is it that every time ask for Facebook's policy on posting in groups, so I can make certain I am not in violation of it, none of my emails are responded to?"

Here's the reality: If you openly favor conservative ideals like pro-life, the Second Amendment, or criticize the government's violation of the Constitution, expect your posts to be censored heavily, or your account banned all together. Everywhere you look, Free Speech is being annihilated.

Not only are companies like Facebook, Twitter, and Google, censoring you, they are reporting people to Obama's new Attorney General, Loretta Lynch, who has [Created a Gestapo To Target Americans With "Anti-Government Views"](#).

Anyone who reads, [The Department Of Justice Prepares To Step Up War On "Domestic Extremists"](#), will most likely be blown away at how militant the government has become about a person's belief system or their religious convictions.

Per a [Department of Defense training manual](#) obtained by Judicial Watch in a Freedom of Information Act request, we learned that the criteria a SECRET UNELECTED OBAMA OFFICIAL has for determining a "domestic extremist" is as follows:

"Americans who are 'reverent of individual liberty,' and 'suspicious of centralized federal authority' are possible 'extreme right-wing' terrorists.

The document linked above also lists people who embrace "individual liberties" and honor "states' rights," among other characteristics, as potential "extremists" who are likely to be members of "hate groups."

Finally, the document goes on to call the Founding Fathers, "extremists."

Writing at [Liberty Unyielding](#) on Saturday, retired Naval Intelligence officer J. E. Dyer said that it's time to "break" the Internet as we know it, starting with the big three social media and search engine sites, namely, Google, Facebook and Twitter.

"They're all implementing policies to shut down the voices of freedom in their forums," she said. "It's one thing to police obscenity and personal attacks. It's another thing entirely to define the word 'gun' as an offense, and bias content-oriented algorithms against it."

"It's ridiculous to "suspend" users for posting politically conservative content – and yet, in the blogger forums I correspond with, such suspensions are now commonplace. "I'm in Facebook jail" for X number of days has become a constant refrain.

We're not talking about people who use expletives or make threats online. We're talking about people who merely post conservative sentiments and memes, and links to (very mainstream) conservative websites.

The social media and browsing giants are private companies. They can run things the way they want; it's their dime. But that's why they need to be broken. They can't be allowed to become a vehicle for marginalizing non-compliant voices. The default model for social media and browsing needs to be variety, diversity, and freedom – not intellectual conformity. Freedom is what needs to pay off."

She makes a sound argument, citing the weekend's explosion over Twitter's [arbitrary suspension](#) of blogger Robert Stacy McCain.

Twitter, she notes, has a new policy where speech is monitored and controlled by a "Trust and Safety Council," which is run by such distinguished enemies of free speech as "Feminist Frequency and the Dangerous Speech Project."

Orwellian? That's putting it mildly.



Twitter, she adds, is a private company and "can live by delusional bias if it wants to; it should just have to pay a steep price for doing so."

Twitter is also engaging in what's known as "shadowbanning." According to Breitbart's [Milo Yiannopoulos](#), it's very real:

"Shadowbanning, sometimes known as "Stealth Banning" or "Hell Banning," is commonly used by online

community managers to block content posted by spammers.

Instead of banning a user directly (which would alert the spammer to their status, prompting them to create a new account), their content is merely hidden from public view. . .

However, Twitter isn't merely targeting spammers.

For weeks, users have been reporting that tweets from populist conservatives, members of the alternative right, cultural libertarians, and other anti-PC dissidents have disappeared from their timelines."

A similar phenomenon is happening at Facebook, Dyer adds:

"Something similar to shadowbanning has been evident at Facebook in the last several weeks, to anyone who runs a conservative Facebook page.

The trend that's been especially noticeable to me is this one: meme images of the type that used to quickly get thousands of shares and likes, and dozens or hundreds of comments, can now go for days and gather only a few dozen shares and likes.

What these images have in common is that they're eye-catching, funny, meme-tastic – and pro-gun rights.

The conclusion is that such memes aren't getting exposure, because Facebook's algorithms have been biased against them. This is probably related to Facebook's [recent banning of private, non-dealer gun sales](#), and presumably is not inadvertent.

"Again," she notes, "Facebook is a private company." Google, she wrote, has come up "with [a new extension for the Chrome browser](#) that will literally change, to suit the pro-abortion user, [the language posted to the web by originators](#). The change this extension will make is to turn "pro-life" into "anti-choice.""

She goes on to warn of a sort of "weaponised" Internet where those who do not opt in to the Orwellian thought-control can and ultimately will be made invisible and tracked like criminals.



"There was a time when it was enough for conservatives to have success with news and opinion content online. But the Internet is being transformed at a much less visible level now: at the level of basic browsing and social media algorithms, the dynamic but obscure arrangements that enable us to 'see' and connect with each other to exchange information," she said.

To deal with this, she said, we must develop an "alternet," but that will require resources and the will to create something where freedom remains.

I've written time and again about the abuses meted out to users by Facebook. **Facebook - recently called the world's most dangerous censor - is already working to shape and control language in Europe, with the blessings of European governments.**

"I know there are potential inventors and investors out there," Dyer said in conclusion.

"The market need is obvious, and will only become more so. Get your thinking caps on, and let's break this thing."

Dyer continues:

"What we need now is, literally, alternatives to the existing social media and browsing giants. The giants, acting as administrators of quasi-public spaces, are becoming hostile to intellectual freedom, in a way that will soon turn into predation against it.

The model of "all the world" connecting via Facebook is going to have to be shattered, and replaced by a different model in which competition will penalize censorship."

Breaking The Web

The good news is that we have a big, disruptive watershed coming up, possibly this year, when the central organization of the Internet is taken out of the hands of the United States government. This is (re)scheduled to happen on 1 October 2016, and it very well might.

This will be an unmitigated disaster for today's Internet freedom, if it does happen. The attacks on Web freedom will begin immediately (although they will be less visible in the U.S.). The shift will start small, but it will be real, and relentless.

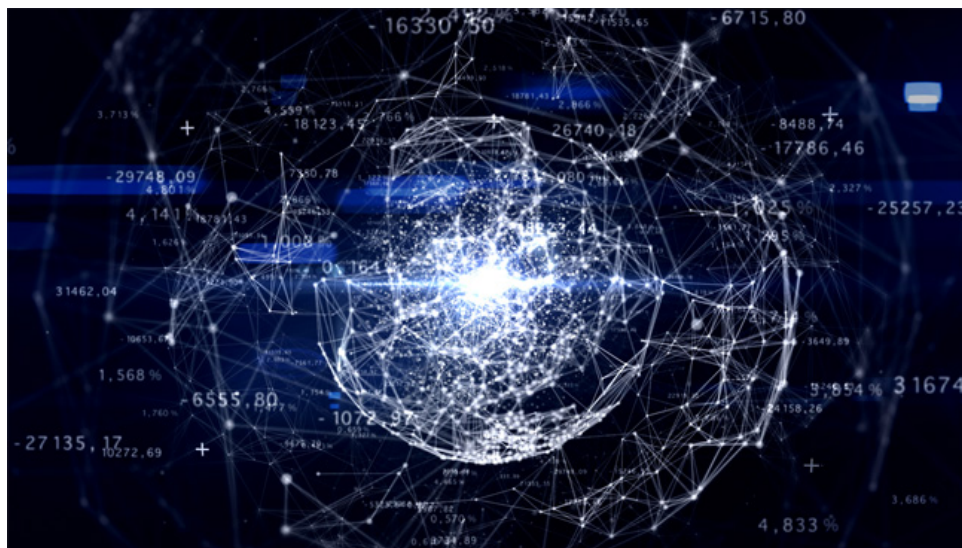
Within a short time – probably weeks, maybe even days – browsing, providing Internet service, and operating websites will become a significantly different experience for those in more-authoritarian as opposed to less-authoritarian countries.



America won't be immune. Without a publicly accountable department of the U.S. federal government in charge, more and more things will begin to happen that hardly anyone knows about, but that will affect everyone. Being surprised and confused that our Web experience is changing is something we can expect within months of the transfer date.

So why do I say this is good news? Because it will force us to develop a true "alternet." The technology is there, but the motivation has been lacking. The day is coming when it won't be lacking anymore.

The outlines of an Internet weaponized against us are already visible: an Internet by which we can be marginalized and punished, and over which we exert less and less discretion as to how much we *want* to interact with it. But that weaponizable Internet depends on being monolithic, and having the authorization-vetoes of governments hanging over it.



US Intelligence Chief: We Might Use The Internet Of Things To Spy On You

February 13 2016 | From: [TheGuardian](#)

James Clapper did not name specific agency as being involved in surveillance via smart-home devices but said in congressional testimony it is a distinct possibility



The US intelligence chief has acknowledged for the first time that agencies might use a new generation of smart household devices to increase their surveillance capabilities.

Related: ['Internet of Things' an Absolute Goldmine for Big Brother, Admits Top US Spy](#)

As increasing numbers of [devices connect to the internet and to one another](#), the so-called internet of things promises consumers increased convenience – the remotely operated thermostat from Google-owned Nest is a leading example. But as home computing migrates away from the laptop, the tablet and the smartphone, experts warn that the security features on the coming wave of automobiles, dishwashers and alarm systems lag far behind.

In an appearance at a Washington thinktank last month, the director of the National Security Agency, Adm Michael Rogers, said that it was time to consider making the home devices “more defensible”, but did not address the opportunities that increased numbers and even categories of connected devices provide to his surveillance agency.



However, James Clapper, the US director of national intelligence, was more direct in testimony submitted to the Senate on Tuesday as part of an assessment of threats facing the United States.

“In the future, intelligence services might use the [internet of things] for identification, surveillance, monitoring, location tracking, and targeting for recruitment, or to gain access to networks or user credentials,” Clapper said.

Clapper did not specifically name any intelligence agency as involved in household-device surveillance. But security experts examining the internet of things take as a given that the US and other surveillance services will intercept the signals the newly networked devices emit, much as they do with those from cellphones.

Amateurs are already interested in easily compromised hardware; computer programmer John Matherly's search engine [Shodan](#) indexes thousands of completely unsecured web-connected devices.



Online threats again topped the intelligence chief's list of "worldwide threats" the US faces, with the mutating threat of low-intensity terrorism quickly following. While Clapper has for years used the equivocal term "evolving" when asked about the scope of the threat, he said Tuesday that Sunni violent extremism "has more groups, members, and safe havens than at any other point in history".

The Islamic State topped the threat index, but Clapper also warned that the US-backed Saudi war in Yemen was redounding to the benefit of al-Qaida's local affiliate.

Domestically;

"Homegrown extremists" are the greatest terrorist threat, rather than Islamic State or al-Qaida attacks planned from overseas. Clapper cited the San Bernardino and Chattanooga shootings as examples of lethal operations emanating from self-starting extremists "without direct guidance from [Isis] leadership".

US intelligence officials did not foresee Isis suffering significant setbacks in 2016 despite a war in Syria and Iraq that the Pentagon has pledged to escalate. The chief of defense intelligence, Marine Lt Gen Vincent Stewart, said the jihadist army would "probably retain Sunni Arab urban centers" in 2016, even as military leaders pledged to [wrest the key cities of Raqqa and Mosul](#) from it.

Contradicting the US defense secretary, Ashton Carter, Stewart said he was "less optimistic in the near term about Mosul", saying the US and Iraqi government would "certainly not" retake it in 2016.

The negative outlook comes as Carter traveled on Tuesday to meet with his fellow defense chiefs in Brussels for a discussion on increasing their contributions against Isis.

On the Iran nuclear deal, Clapper said intelligence agencies were in a "distrust and verify mode", but added: "We have no evidence thus far that they're moving toward violation."



Clapper's admission about the surveillance potential for networked home devices is rare for a US official. But in an overlooked 2012 speech, the then CIA director David Petraeus called the surveillance implications of the internet of things "[transformational](#)" ... particularly to their effect on clandestine tradecraft".

During testimony to both the Senate armed services committee and the intelligence panel, Clapper cited Russia, China, Iran, North Korea and the Islamic State as bolstering their online espionage, disinformation, theft, propaganda and data-destruction capabilities. He warned that the US's ability to correctly attribute the culprits of those actions would probably diminish with "improving offensive tradecraft, the use of proxies, and the creation of cover organizations".

Clapper suggested that US adversaries had overtaken its online capabilities: "Russia and China continue to have the most sophisticated cyber programs."

The White House's new cybersecurity initiative, [unveiled on Tuesday](#), pledged increased security for nontraditional networked home devices. It tasked the Department of Homeland Security to "test and certify networked devices within the 'Internet of Things.'" It did not discuss any tension between the US's twin cybersecurity and surveillance priorities.



Connected household devices are a potential treasure trove to intelligence agencies seeking unobtrusive ways to listen and watch a target, according to a study that Harvard's Berkman Center for Internet and Society released last week. The study found that the signals explosion represented by the internet of things would overwhelm any privacy benefits by users of commercial encryption – even as Clapper in his testimony again alleged that the growth of encryption was having a *"negative effect on intelligence gathering"*.

The report's authors cited a 2001 case in which the FBI had sought to compel a company that makes emergency communications hardware for automobiles – similar by description to OnStar, though the company was not named – to assist agents in Nevada in listening in on conversations in a client's car.

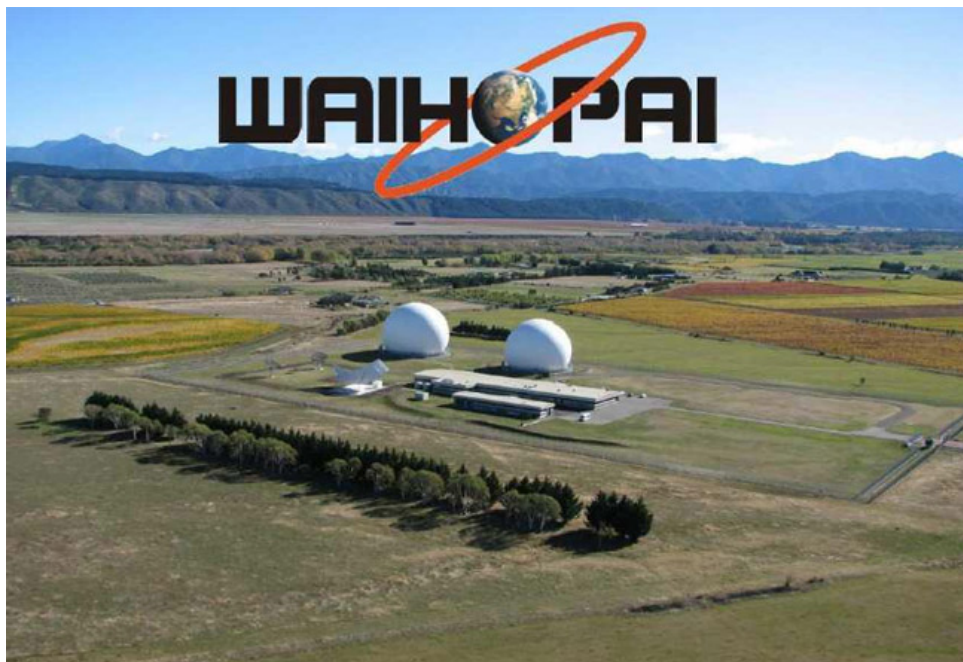
In February 2015, news reports revealed that microphones on Samsung “smart” televisions were “always on” so as to receive any audio that it could interpret as an instruction.

"Law enforcement or intelligence agencies may start to seek orders compelling Samsung, Google, Mattel, Nest or vendors of other networked devices to push an update or flip a digital switch to intercept the ambient communications of a target," the authors wrote.

Waihopai Spy Base Protesters Talk GCSB, Five Eyes And Democracy In Marlborough

January 29 2016 | From: [MarlboroughExpress](#)

An annual protest has drawn a colourful crowd to Marlborough to protest against mass surveillance.



About 60 people from across New Zealand gathered in Marlborough on Saturday to take a peaceful stand against Waihopai Station, southwest of Blenheim.

The day began with a march through the centre of Blenheim, with one marcher dressed as Uncle Sam and another wearing an oversized mask in the likeness of Prime Minister John Key.

Green Party co-leader and intelligence spokesperson Metiria Turei spoke at the march about the Government Security Communications Bureau.

"The GCSB has acted illegally. Our spy agencies are being used for political purposes like helping ministers get international jobs, New Zealanders in the Pacific are being spied on and the SIS lacks a proper compliance system," Turei said.

"We cannot let their arrogance erode our civil liberties away."

The protest moved to the Waihopai spy base about 1.30pm where six police officers took shifts standing in the 30 degree Celsius heat between the protesters and the spy base.



Teacher Adrian Leason, one of the 'Waihopai three', calls for the Waihopai spy base to be closed.

Anti-Bases Campaign spokesman Murray Horton said the spy base was controlled by the United States, adding even New Zealand's prime minister knew little about its operations.

"Five Eyes is the reason for the existence of both the GCSB and Waihopai ... Its satellite interception dishes intercept a huge volume of civilian telephone calls, email and computer data communications," he said.

"The collection of private information was anti-democratic and destructive", he said.

Aros Diodi travelled from Coromandel to help raise awareness at the protest.

"People need to know. It's like a big secret," she said.

There were about seven people from Marlborough at the protest.

"Marlborough does not get in behind this the way it should," Horton said.

One man jumped the fence to give police a close-up view of his placard, but there were no arrests.

"We will keep coming here as long as that [spy base] is still there. So book the overtime, boys," Horton said to police at the protest's conclusion.

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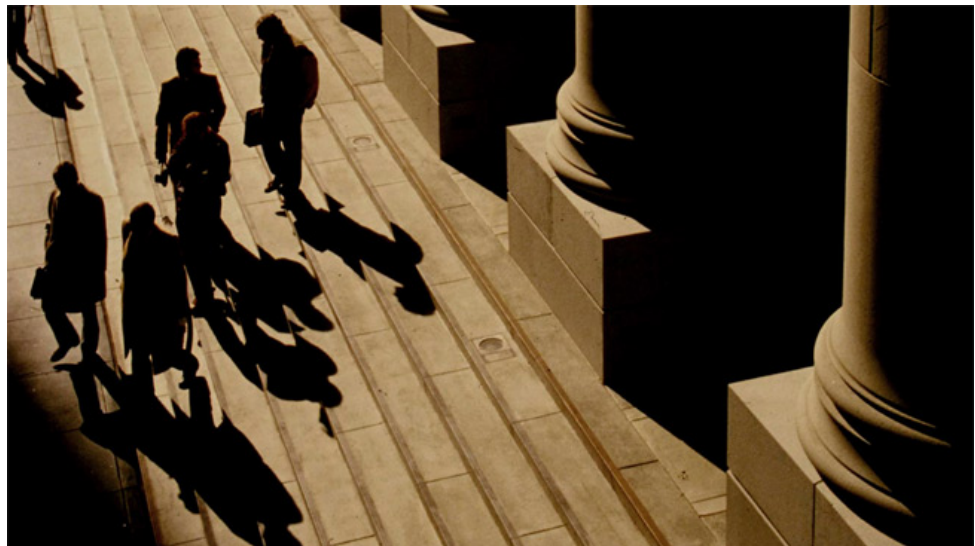
▷ [Protesters call for Waihopai spy base closure](#)

▷ [Waihopai spy-base verdict irks locals](#)

The Big Squeeze vs. Khazarian Mafia

January 22 2016 | From: [Geopolitics](#)

The result of the well-coordinated operation to cut-off the Khazarian Mafia from the rest of the global economy is now undeniable.



The fiat FED dollar denominated economy is effectively shut down as indicated in the free-falling Baltic Dry Index.

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We have warned that bank deposits are already being skimmed by the retreating parasites, and it's prudent that necessary preparations should have been made already.

Iran cannot be intimidated anymore. It has repelled Israel and Saudi Arabia's big brother, i.e. the United States.

If your child is being held back and being denied even the possibility of entering a gifted program based on the fact that they have attention issues, then there is problem.

Related: [Captured US Navy Boats Were Carrying Top ISIS Leader, USS Truman Intervened](#)

Again, we are featuring another summary of the information that's already been in this site and some new information detailing the personalities involved that should facilitate the understanding of what's been going on for at least the last eight years.



Big Squeeze Now On Khazarian Mafia

This article builds on past articles on this subject. For those who haven't read those, reading this article is likely a waste of time and it will be difficult to fit this information into their heads.

This is a long article and is written as a two-tiered piece. Those short of time can read the bold print and pass over the rest, and then finish with the conclusion. Many thanks to my sources, some still living but most passed. None have been associated with Veterans Today in any way. I do not enjoy writing this type of article for a number of reasons not appropriate to be discussed here. But I do feel an obligation to get this information out.]

Numerous nations around the World have now ganged up on the Khazarian Mafia (KM).

It is cornered and it is losing power by the day. Expect increased surveillance and harassment by local police who take orders from Homeland Security (DHS) and receive their ridiculous conjured up Domestic Terror Watch Lists.

How much real power does the Khazarian Mafia have left and for how long can it hold out? Is the Khazarian Mafia still powerful enough to start another major war in the Mideast, or even a nuclear WW3 to serve as a covering event for their impending loss of World hegemony?



There are recent reports from China that the Chinese Government has ordered that its international cargo shipping in both the Pacific and the Atlantic be restricted.

One source with connections to mainland Chinese sources has verified this claim that China has given an ultimatum that there will be a big reduction in their cargo ships unloading any products until the USG begins to honor the Secret Reset Agreement they entered into in 2013 during G-20 meetings.

Related: [The Unfolding Global Reset that Only Few Understand](#)

The Baltic Dry Shipping Index is way down, less than half of what it was at its peak. Crude oil has dropped to \$30 a barrel or less, and in Canada shale oil is even as low as \$10 a barrel. American retail sales were low during Christmas and many retail chains plan to close stores at multiple locations, including the notorious Walmart.

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And oil derivatives of the big Wall Street Banks are under extreme stress due to these oil prices which has now placed several of the largest in jeopardy. The US Petro Dollar is now under stress as never before and the massive continued issuing and printing after the bailouts (repetitive Quantitative Easings, #7 and counting), the secret US Treasury Exchange Stabilization Fund (ESF) direct foreign bank bailouts of trillions, and the secret direct USG Plunge Protection Team stock purchases in mass no longer seem to mitigate this slide.

Several foreign nations have asked for their Gold back that has been stored at the Federal Reserve, but only a portion has been shipped because the vaults are now apparently empty.



Chinese and Russian purchases of massive quantities of Gold and Silver are fact, not theory, giving them a huge advantage as the Federal Reserve System's Ponzi scheme approaches collapse.

Comex paper Gold which is supposed to be backed 100% by real Gold is not. This is just another part of the Federal Reserve System's massive Ponzi scheme which has probably already hit the iceberg and is taking on water.

The Khazarian Mafia's top leadership is being squeezed and now seems cornered. They claim to each other to work directly for Lucifer who they describe as their new "rising god" (they call this "Lucifer Rising"). Others in this small circle describe Lucifer as a renegade Third Force who will cut these folks loose in a NY Minute as soon as they serve no useful purpose anymore. And that is what now seems to be happening. Looks like their "god" is going to let them down. Oh well, should they have expected less from pure evil?



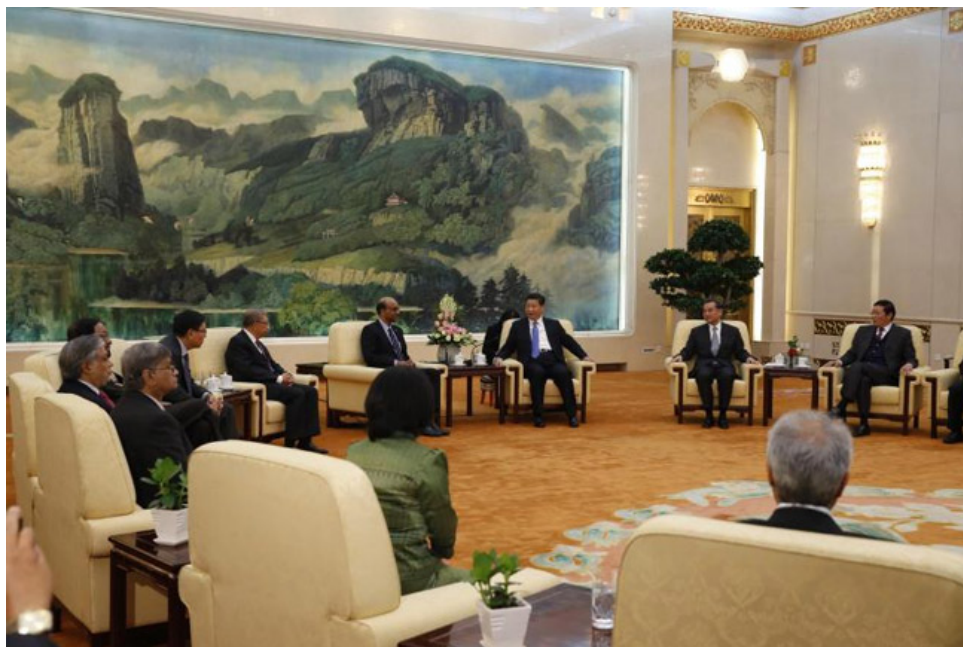
When you dance with the devil, you are going to get burned. That's the function of Doofus Cutouts that are propelled to the top and given power, status and riches beyond imagination. They are there to serve as disposables when it's all said and done and they are no longer needed. They will never see it coming when they are abandoned and "cut-loose".

If there is going to be new monetary system set up for the World and that's the way it looks, and it likely will not include the Khazarian Mafia Kingpins.

As best we can determine before Chinese cargo shipping decreased, China was demanding that their Renminbi be included in a basket of currencies.

And we know that the Renminbi will be backed by Gold and this basket of currencies will replace the current exclusiveness of the US Petro Dollar which functions as the World's Reserve Currency.

This same source has claimed that the Japanese Government has just agreed to be part of the Chinese created Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank (AIIB). If these reports are accurate then this means that Khazarian Mafia is being squeezed economically.



For the G-20 nations and especially the USA to honor this Secret Reset Agreement made in 2013, the Khazarian Mafia must be removed from its position controlling the World's Central Banking.

It also apparently requires the acceptance of the Chinese Renminbi based on Gold and Silver as a part of an international basket of currencies and the removal of the US Petro Dollar as the World's Reserve Currency.

Looks like the Khazarian Mafia is now being squeezed from many directions. And it is rapidly losing control which makes it desperate and dangerous.

When the World's largest Organized Crime Syndicate the Khazarian Mafia feels cornered one would expect that it would become desperate to re-establish control and take even more drastic actions that it has in the past, unless too much force is arrayed against them from more than one enemy.

And now for the first time numerous enemies have arisen against the Khazarian Mafia. And two of them are quite powerful.

The first and most powerful enemy appears to be the Russian Federation.

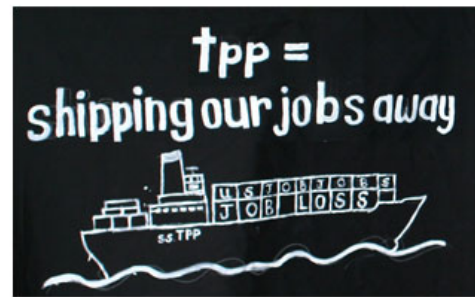
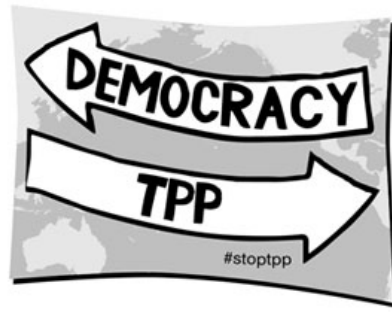


Putin and the Russian Federation have now completely checkmated the Khazarian Mafia both in the Ukraine and in Syria and is now annihilating ISIS by deployment of its superior air power.

The second most powerful appears to be the American People, a very well-armed sleeping giant that is now rapidly awaking.

This new exigent power of the American Masses is due to the Alternative Media of the Internet. The Internet has provided incredible speed and the fact that so many Americans are finally figuring out everything out of our elected Politicians' mouths via the CMMM is their propaganda, big lies and false-narratives.

And the recent dire economy, and massive unemployment since 2008 brought about by all these traitorous Free Trade Agreements and two illegal, unConstitutional "Wall Street Bailouts" have created a spontaneously emerging populism in the American Masses.



This massive populism is not only unprecedented but it is now accompanied by a rising anger towards the DC "doofus" career politicians and this new populism is increasingly powerful.

The Khazarian Mafia has deployed false-flag attacks all around the World and in America using Cutouts. Some were mass-shootings in gun-free zones hyped in the Controlled Major Mass Media (CMMM), and others were major bombings like at the Murrah Building in Oklahoma City on April 19, 1995 or the World Trade Center in NYC on 9-11-01.

The purpose is always to justify more power to central government in order to help the Khazarian Mafia protect itself and its Evil Agenda.

But now that the Khazarian Mafia is being squeezed from all sides, will we see increased harassment of investigative journalists, known truth tellers and dissidents who run counter to the Khazarian Mafia's propaganda, big lies and false-narratives they dispense through their CMMM?

Might we start seeing mysterious and increasingly frequent disappearances like what occurred in the South American Death Squads? After all these Death Squads were all trained by the US Military and the CIA inside the USA, and these schools for torture and murder are still active.



And recently Chicago was caught running a black site for DHS to disappear Targeted Individuals. Other cities have these too. And the Pentagon and the CIA still run the Black Prison sites in East European nations and also have black prison ships which are still active. Check this for more information.

We should expect the DHS to put out increasingly negative smear reports to the local Police Departments creating increased fear of known truth tellers, dissidents, patriots and gun owners? This will include folks who have been illegally placed on Domestic terror Watch lists with instructions to begin increased surveillance and harassment against them?

We now know for certain that the Khazarian Mafia's actions in the past in America have included the Bombing of the Murrah Building, first attempted bombing of the NYC Twin towers by the FBI setting up and supplying the Blind Sheikh. This was actually an acoustics test to establish needs for the devices the Khazarian Mafia used in Twin Towers attack on 9-11-01.



And the FBI (with help of the CIA and crooked US Customs agents) placed a stolen barrel of cyanide stolen from Louis Champon's Natural Cherry Flavoring Company in Boca Raton Florida through a tunnel under the street by Wackem'out World Security.

This was done to see what the effects on folks near the blast in the basement parking ramp would be. Actually the blast destroyed the toxicity of the cyanide.

Naturally the FBI tried to secretly and wrongly frame Louis Champon for this and only failed through the incredible detective work of James Rothstein (NYCPD Gold Shield, police Intel and key part of the infamous NY State Crime Commission Secret 15 man Intel Task Force - now long retired for arresting Frank Sturgis aka Frank Fiorini in NYC for trying to terminate Marita Lorenz right before her secret appearance at the HSCA and turning over of photos with Ruby, Sturgiss, Oswald at the motel the night before the JFK Assassination and more).

Detective Rothstein, a German Catholic, is the only member of this secret 15 man task force who has survived (most were terminated with extreme prejudice by the CIA) to suppress what they found out. Detective Rothstein is one of the greatest American Heroes in Law Enforcement we have ever had anywhere in America.

His investigations led to more prosecutions of CIA pedophiles, their pedophile murders, and the CIA drug dealers than any other LE person in the history of America and his record still stands.



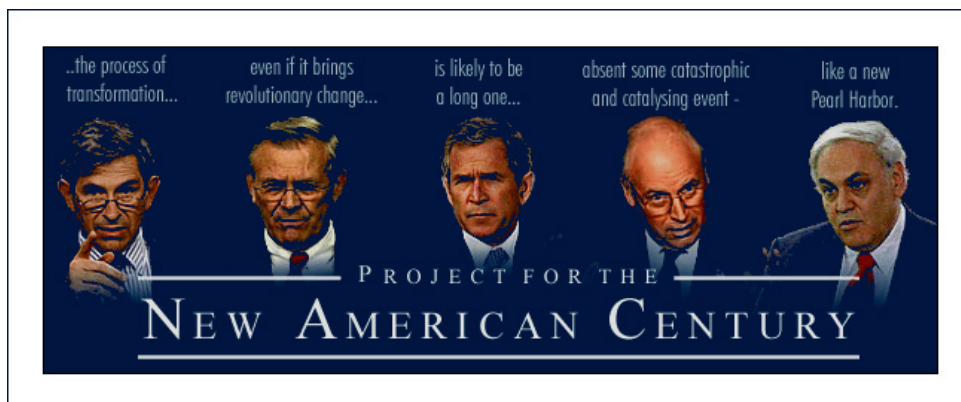
None of this ever was allowed into the CMMM of course. Rothstein's astoundingly frank book is expected to be published this year and it will be very interesting. His long term efforts to bring St. John's Abbey to justice for the pedophile sheep-dipped, rat-lined ex-Nazi priests that have been kept there and protected from prosecution are well known, and he is still at it.

Too bad the local police are crooked, and the FBI continues to look the other way and do their usual assigned job, cover up for the "Process".

So this World's largest organized Crime Syndicate the Khazarian Mafia is truly capable of untold evil against the American people as well as the whole World as long as it is allowed to exist and occupy and parasitize the USG for its own purposes.

Every large urban police dept. and the alphabets, especially the FBI has an Intel plant embedded there to run cover-ups for the "Process" Satanic Cult and the CIA drug trafficking, both protected by being deputized as agents of National Security".

Inside America the Khazarian Mafia has controlled the Alphabets including the FBI, its main cover up agency and entrapment/setup agency and the BATF, as well as the CIA; and they have always done a lot of the Khazarian Mafia's illegal dirty work.



And of course after the Khazarian Mafia attacked America on 9-11-01 to create a New Pearl Harbor event, they were now in a position to establish Homeland Security (DHS) the foundation of the long planned American Police State.

This plan to establish DHS was already written and ready to push through Congress awaiting a major catalytic event such as the major terrorist attack of 9-11-01 which was run by the Khazarian Mafia and its stateside assets deep inside the Administration and the Pentagon.

The attack on America of 9-11-01 was designed to consolidate all American Law Enforcement under one central command directly controlled by the Khazarian Mafia, a known foreign based power, and justify becoming a nation based on preemptive wars of aggression.



The secret agenda of DHS is to transform America into a total surveillance society, a Police State rivaling East Germany under the Stasi. That is why Marcus Wolfe (former head of the Stasi) was hired as a consultant to set up DHS two years before he mysteriously died.

The ultimate end game here is for the Khazarian Mafia to use DHS to transform America into GAZA II, the World's largest open-air prison camp and to make Americans the New Palestinians. This is all part of the "Greater Israel Plan" which is no longer theory but established fact.

And the "Greater Israel Plan" is the cover story used by the Khazarian Mafia's top leadership (aka the "Select Few") to use its Cutouts and main action agent the American-Israeli "Israeli-first" Dual Citizen Traitors and the Likudists in Israel to do their dirty work.

The American Controlled Major Mass Media (CMMM) has been losing its credibility for years, and its popularity is at an all-time low.



Since the CMMM is the main mouthpiece and propaganda/mind-control agent for the Khazarian Mafia, its demise poses a big loss of power for the Khazarian Mafia. And we now know for certain its demise is being engendered by the increasing popularity of the Alternative News of the Internet.

The Khazarian Mafia is now cornered and you can bet that Homeland Security (DHS) is busy at work creating smear reports at their fusion centers to send to local police with the instructions to increase the harassment of suspected domestic terrorists.

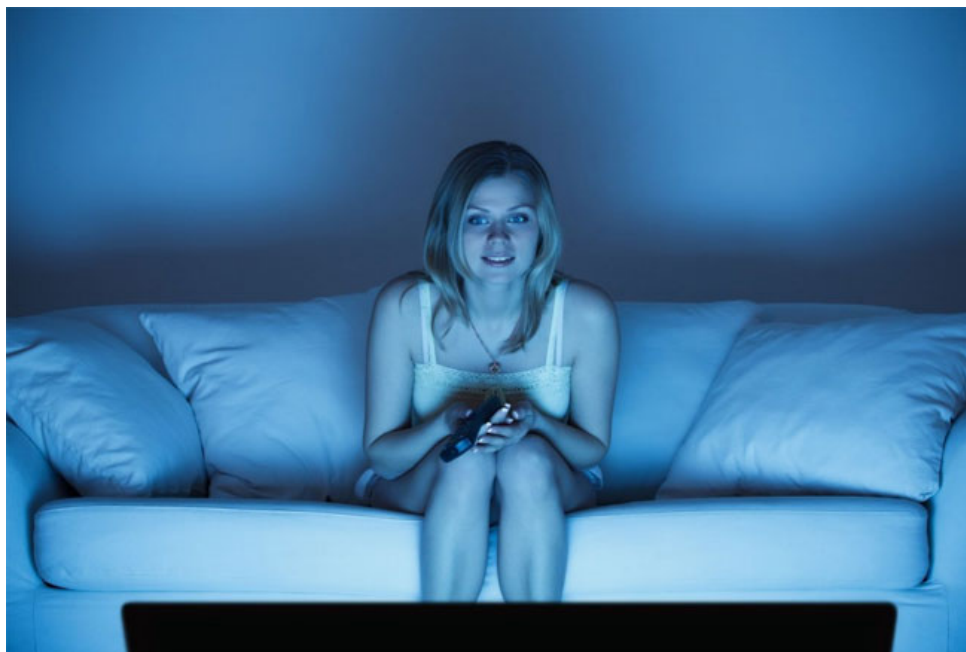
Expect greatly increased surveillance and spying on all Americans even the Khazarian Mafia's underling yes men and women and major doofuses who have been appointed to high positions of power and to provide a twisted sort of inside humor to the very top controllers that run the Khazarian Mafia System.

Spying and Intel collection has become remarkably advanced and will continue to increase in frequency, scope and intrusiveness.



Much of it is used for banal entertainment by bored "no longer give a damn" NSA and NRO employees who dig watching and listening to bedroom type scenes. The NSA and NRO are collecting far more raw data than they can adequately process effectively, and it has become mostly a money-making means to asset strip more and more money from We The People and make a big show of power by the Khazarian Mafia.

Some deep black and top secret technologies include; use of one's own AC house wiring, smart TV's, personal especially laptop and handheld computers, cell phones, wired phones, remote phones, smart TV's and smart appliances; remote outdoor to indoor thermometers and weather meters and stations for homeowners; some TV remote controls with voice activation; really spooky new methods like driving by and shooting a special micro-transceiver nail in the siding that is matched for color and texture; wall penetrating drive-by radar systems (also used along major highways in unmarked white step vans and 18-wheelers; vehicle, aircraft, and satellite based special infrared sensors); high powered close-by receivers for picking up brain waves and decoding thought and emotional states; ...



...embedded transceiver chips in all cell phones and auto GPS and blue-tooth communication and "seek help" systems which can be remotely activated and easily traced and used a GPS tracking and used for microphones; orbital super HD electronic day and night vision cameras that can sense an ant on the ground and many license plates; deep black variable and synthetic aperture ground penetrating radar, advance gamma ray and neutron particle sensors and other even more secret means involved ground, truck, tower and satellite antennas designed to pick up brainwave transmissions which have been altered by ingested nano-particles in the atmospherically sprayed aerosol chem-trails and gasoline which include nano-particles of aluminum and barium and other magnetic and electrical compounds which can be flashed, id'ed and used to alter brainwave transmissions for external monitoring (referred to as the "prime freak").

There are other even more advance psi-power means that are so far down the rabbit-hole they would be too discrediting to discuss in this article. But they do exist and can be effective in many situations.

More on those in another article perhaps.

But even worse DHS uses the special deniable contractor squads and retired miltel, FBI and CIA to gang-stalk, do personal surveillance, walk-bys, and moving in next door or as close as possible to key targeted individuals who are deemed as first line threat to their system of lies.



Paranoid yet? Haha

And as if that wasn't enough, these special squads have specialists that deploy advanced psychotronic warfare against USG, Intel, military and corporate whistle-blowers on behalf of the Khazarian Mafia kingpins that is designed to cause chronic health problems, lethal medical disorders and suppression of thinking and acting.

Mark Novitsky

Some of these devices are cell tower activated, some by doppler weather radar, some closely custom placed transmitters triangulated in from close-by spy cell and corporate proprietaries. For those that claim this is all pure fantasy and bs I can strongly reply you are wrong, dead wrong. How can I say that?

Well I have personally swept Mark Novitsky's residence with sensors used by the German Health Department and found it way over the allowable European accepted limits with some equipment red-lined. Some sources inside the home were disabled or removed, and we found strong external sources.

As we started tracing and triangulating their location of external transmissions, they were suddenly turned off preventing location. Novitsky is as important in what he knows and has attempted to disclose as Snowden. 60 Minutes was going to do a big story on him but backed out at the last minute because they said it had become too complicated.



Other top Federal and Intel whistle-blowers have told Novitsky what he knows about is above their pay grade. Most avoid him like the plague. All his local Senators and Congresspersons were notified by Novitsky (evidence in writing I have seen) and all deny it and did nothing, except for Governor Mark Dayton who was a Senator at the time.

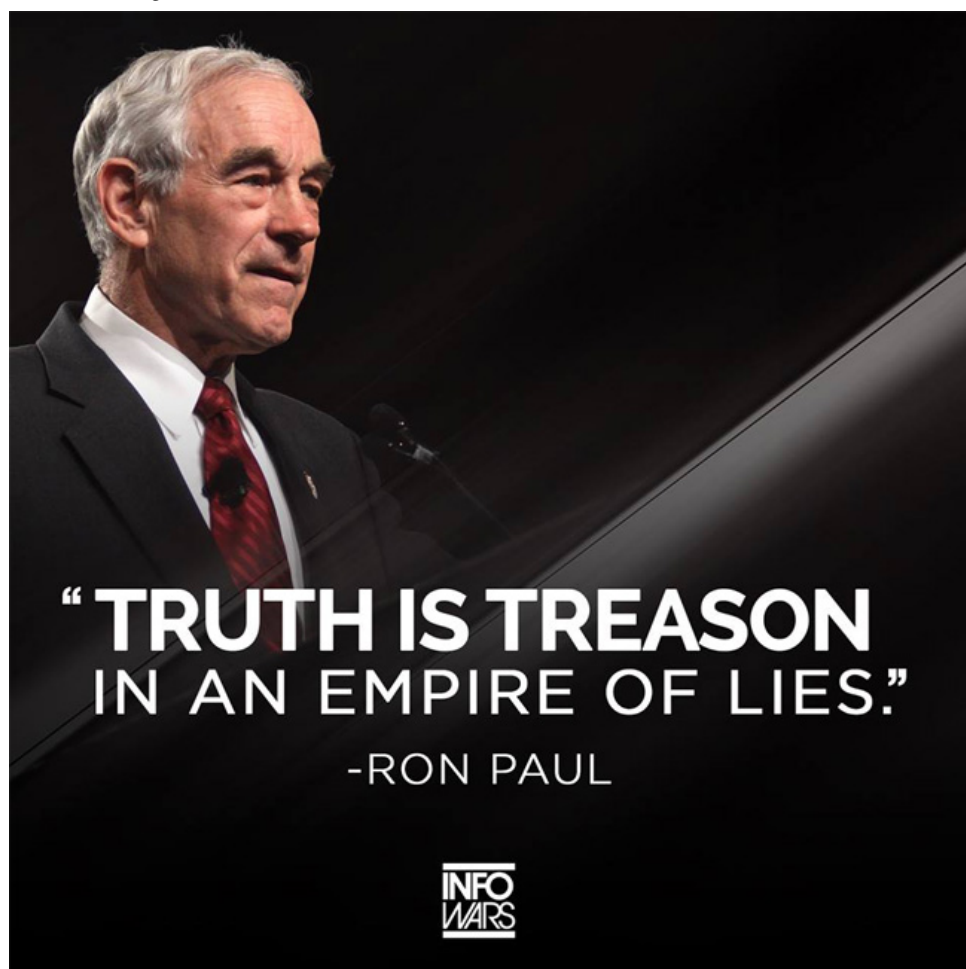
Dayton has a good reputation with his staff and when terrorism struck in DC he immediately placed the safety of his staff first. He did what he could for Novitsky and We The People but was stepped on hard.

Now Dayton is the Governor of Minnesota and appears to be doing his best to get the the states decaying infrastructure repaired. Novitsky has been placed on the top secret DHS "No Work under any Circumstances List" by the FBI, which follows him around and tells any employer where he applies that he is a Domestic Terrorist, "please do not hire him, he is on our Domestic Terror Watch List and under surveillance - you wouldn't want to be put on our Watch List now, would you?"

The one good job Novitsky had in a non-Intel related area after leaving the Teletech Holdings related company he worked for was ruined when the FBI showed up and delivered a National Security Letter (NSL) which his employer was allowed to read but not keep, and which threatened a \$10,000 fine and up to 10 years in a federal prison if he ever disclosed anything about this NSL letter or why he was going to have to separate Novitsky.

And Mark has had strange but very real recent medical problems and his first doctors were either dirty, Khazarian Mafia worker bees, Sayanims or just plain uncaring and medically lousy.

The lab was either dirty or had folks inside that tampered with his blood work. Finally, he was able to find a top physician who is 100% ethical with a top academic reputation and will not kowtow to illegal government manipulations.



And who are DHS's listed domestic terrorists? Gun owners, Ron Paul supporters, Veterans, libertarians, Christians, Islamics, Patriots, anti-war activists, dissidents and alternative media reporters and journalists and many many more individuals and groups that can be placed on the list by any supervisory agent after even one complaint of any kind and these watch lists have no oversight or appeal process. Once you are on these Watch Lists you are doomed to be on forever.

Even Senator Ted Kennedy was put on the "No Fly List" by mistake and despite expensive legal efforts and big political muscle he could never get off of it. Why you wonder?

Because these Terror Watch lists are creations of the Khazarian Mafia Kingpins. They are visible indicators of their unbridled twisted, sick, evil power produced by their infiltration and hijacking of America through their private pernicious usury debt-note private Fiat counterfeit Ponzi-type central banking system.

We may see increased harassment and abuse of phony domestic terror watch lists.

We may see increased harassment by local police, alphabets as ordered by DHS, according to their whacked out "watch lists" that include almost everyone but the real domestic terrorists who are the Khazarian Mafia leaders and the top officials of DHS, whose job is to terrorize Americans into subservience and compliance and take away all our Constitutional Rights.

On the other hand, we may see such a rapid loss of functional day to day power by the Khazarian Mafia and their police state mechanism, DHS, that we do not see a big increase in surveillance and harassment. Maybe we will even see less now that the Khazarian Mafia is cornered and being pressed from all sides by the World and by We The People.



The confidential domestic terror "Watch Lists" lists were personally prepared under the watchful direction of Janet Napolitano while she was head of DHS.

These were leaked and published on the Internet by DHS insiders who thought she and DHS was a joke but wanted to keep their pay and benefits, so we know for certain they exist and what is on them. Even though she resigned her position at DHS, she is being sued by subordinate men for sexual harassment and for moving their office into the men's lavatory, among other things.

A couple of nights ago while driving at night in the early evening, I was pulled over and needlessly roused by a local police Officer, who claimed I crossed over the line three times on a stretch of road with no other traffic close by.



This fine very young lady police officer tailed me for a couple miles and then pulled me over. I don't drink, use drugs, speed or drive carelessly, nor did I did not cross over any lines.

After the usual license and insurance check, the Officer let me go with no ticket. But she asked me a question about something irrelevant that could she have only known about from information gained by a local stingray tap or from the local DHS Fusion Center. Not very professional. She was rousing me, and it was a message that I received and am now responding to.

A Deal with the Devil at Langley?

In this same Department some years back, the prior Police Chief was provided a free trip to Langley for a special meeting. During that meeting, he was asked by the CIA to sign a secret Jurisdictional Agreement on behalf of his Department in which he agreed to submit jurisdiction on any case to the Feds that they requested.



Major amounts of military grade equipment was to be provided in exchange, including two armored cars, grenade launchers, full-auto real assault rifles and machine guns, body armor, bullet proof barriers and lots of military grade ammo.

The Chief was an honorable man with integrity and refused to sign the agreement. Did he develop a strange neurological condition soon after that and have to resign?

Did the CIA keep secretly working with a couple corrupt officers to distribute illegal drugs to high school kids from "DEA controlled deliveries", a local smaller "feeder airport" through a seafood import "proprietary", with a local drug task force (with special license plates to identify each other) either looking the other way or involved. Betcha this hasn't stopped.



The department got a new Chief and now has the equipment offered. You can be sure that this secret transaction has already been successfully made in almost every large Urban Police Department. So far, a significant number of Sheriff's offices have refused. The County Sheriff is the supreme law enforcement officer in any county and has authority even over the Feds.

Be clear about this, these deals with the Devil at Langley to get jurisdiction over your local police are all driven by the Khazarian Mafia Kingpins who are Neo-Bolsheviks who plan to use DHS and our local Police to terrorize us, tyrannize us, completely asset strip us and then mass-murder us.



Supposedly all these "1033 Program" military equipment transfers for the big stuff have been stopped. Don't believe it, that is mere propaganda, and the only big stuff going back is for updated electronic warfare systems, new advanced weaponry or for repair and major maintenance.

For now until the Khazarian Mafia's back is broken, expect increased surveillance and harassment by local police if you are in one of the categories on their watch lists (which is about half of the American people).

This is the kind of surveillance and increased harassment Gun owners, Ron Paul supporters, Veterans, libertarians, Christians, Islamics, Patriots, anti-war activists, dissidents and alternative media reporters and journalists can expect more of as the Khazarian Mafia's power is choked off by the whole World that is now ganging up on it.



DHS is here to militarize the American Police and turn America into a Neo-Bolshevik Stasi-style Police State and transform it into GAZA II with all Americans the New Palestinians. Once that is accomplished the Khazarian Mafia plans to treat Americans the same way Bolsheviks treated innocent Russian civilians.

It raped, tortured and mass murdered 100 million of them. The Khazarian Mafia is Neo-Bolshevik and its top Policy-Makers are from the same age old bloodlines. They have recorded their intentions in stone at the Georgia Guidestones so we know this for certain.

But here's the deal. America is not Russia in 1917 and is the most armed up populace in the World. Despite all the recent efforts of the Khazarian Mafia to force our so-called "elected politicians" to disarm Americans, it will never happen. Americans have been buying guns at an increasing rate ever since the Khazarian Mafia deployed all these mass-shootings in gun free zones and major efforts to grab our guns began in earnest.

Of course, most County Sheriffs in America are populist oriented and part of their local communities and elected because of the respect they have gained and maintained. But even large urban police are starting to wake up.



They have a dangerous enough job already thanks to the CIA drug trafficking into urban cities for black ops money and theirs and the BATF's continuing gun sales to gangs, especially MS 13 and the Las Zetas who were trained by the US Military inside the USA.

Most American urban police officers have no intention of going door to door to fulfill some crazy unConstitutional Presidential PDD or even a new Congressional law passed. They do not want to turn honest law-abiding American Gun-owners, hunters and Veterans into a Solzenitzen-type spontaneously erupting vigilante counter-force that shoots with bigger bore, more accurate, longer reaching rifles than they can.

Most police officers want to go home to their families at the end of the day, and they know that the anger of the average American is now growing against the out of control militarized swat teams that attack the wrong homes and often kill and maim innocent women and young children.

Smart Officers and chiefs want to establish good community relations and be seen as the community as helpers and public servants, not their oppressors working for the ADL and DHS. By the way, most large urban police departments are trained by the ADL to view the average civilian as real or potential domestic terrorists, especially gun owners.

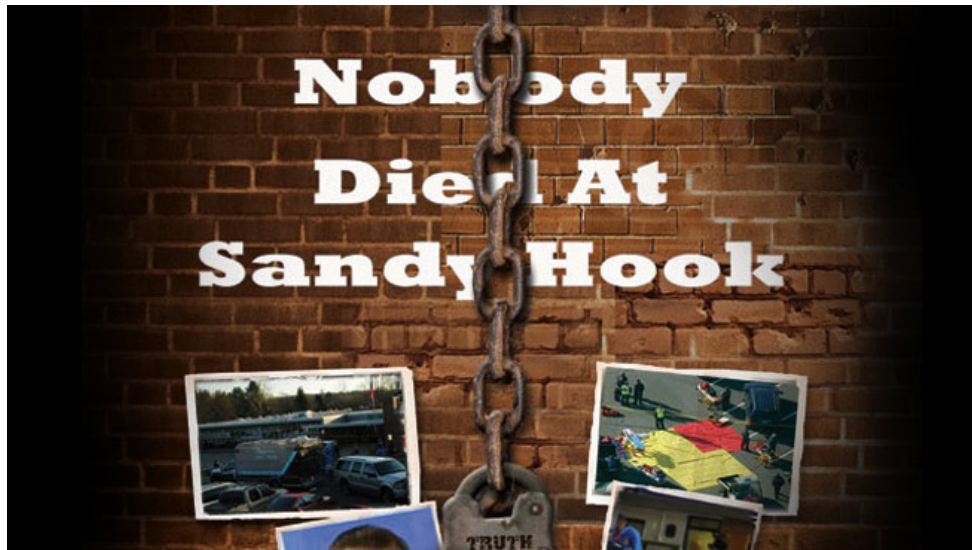
Now because of the recent public concern for increased mass-shootings and terrorism, many police are changing their minds on gun control and actually favor conceal-carry by law abiding citizens who have met the standards and have proper training.



Too many Chiefs of big urban departments are given free junkets to Israel for such training, and while there are served some very special Koolaid in their drinks and given some sophisticated psychotronic mind-control indoctrination training.

Take the recent case when a dumb swat team broke in the wrong home with no proper warrant and threw a stun grenade into a baby's crib, burning and blowing off part of the young child's face. Or the many cases where the wrong homes are stormed by out of control savage swat looking for a few \$10 rocks, and innocent life is criminally taken in an instant.

Or all the illegal, unConstitutional seizures of cash and autos from innocent non-drug dealers, taken and placed into police and Federal coffers often into the private pockets of corrupt supervisors and chiefs and judges.



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And many Americans are starting to catch on to the fact that some of these mass-shootings in gun-free zones are real with real dead victims, while others like Sandy Hook are faked.

But that all are engineered, staged false-flag attacks on the Second Amendment. This has kept folks confused up until now, but thanks to the efforts of hundreds of tireless researchers the truth is now being published all over the Internet and is now readily available for all.

Conclusion:

One thing is certain, the Khazarian Mafia is now cornered and its hegemony is rapidly being eroded. Its false-flag efforts to disarm Americans and any other efforts to do so will fail.

The Khazarian Mafia is now doomed by the whole World which is building massive financial firewalls against it and ganging-up on it. The Khazarian Mafia is being deconstructed bit by bit and you can expect they will have a hard landing and because they are such two-faced psychopaths, they will keep lying and murdering until the end.



Undoubtedly the Big Squeeze is now on the Khazarian Mafia, they are cornered and increasingly desperate and their private Fiat pernicious usury debt-based counterfeit money system has become a Ponzi scheme nearing collapse.

And the BRICS System is just one of many new financial firewalls being built up against the Khazarian Mafia's financial hegemony which is now destined to fail.

There are certain factions in the Pentagon and American Intel which have so far been strong enough to place strong limits on what the Khazarian Mafia can do to retaliate, and they have been blocked from starting a nuclear WW3 with Russia as intended.

Efforts by Senator John McCain and other Traitors like the retired General commanding ISIS have also failed.

And all their recent efforts to attack Russia through Crimea and to destroy Syria and Iran have also failed because of the new military power and technological supremacy of the Russian Federation under the dynamic leadership of President Putin.



If these reports are true that China is severely restricting their container shipping companies until the Khazarian Mafia honors the Secret Reset Agreement, this is indeed a very interesting development. And if true it suggests that all the hype in the CMMM that China's economy is worse than ours is likely exaggerated.

A better guess is that China has prepared for this for quite a while and is no longer so dependent on American sales, perhaps already having established some lucrative new markets with Russia, South America, Malaysia and other trading partners. Is this part of a major economic trap for the Khazarian Mafia and its US Petro Dollar? In time we shall find out, and it make not take too long.

Couple Receives Notice Of Search 12 Months After It Happened And Why That Should Worry You To The Extreme

January 19 2016 | From: [AotearoaAWiderPerspective](#)

A golden bay couple received a letter from the police. Attached to that was a signed search warrant. What was also attached was a "postponement" notice. The search had taken place, without their presence, 12 months earlier.



It appears that the police felt they could have something to do with a threat issued against Fonterra. the threat was that milk powder would be contaminated with 1080.

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The couple, who had an impeccable record of non-violence and peaceful activism both here and in their native country Germany, was stunned to learn that the police had been in their house and had gathered hair tooth paste swabs and computer printouts. They had also downloaded telephone data and other storage data from their computers, and Ipad. They were also stunned that the police had been allowed to do so without their presence and been able to keep it secret for 12 months.

During the period National has been in power several draconian law changes where pushed through. One of them the the way the police can search your home and the way they can spy on you.

While most law abiding citizens assumed that it was to help the police find real nasty criminals such as drug dealers and gang members involved in crime or dangerous terrorists, for those of us political activists and bloggers it was just a matter of time for these powers to be used for the intimidation of people involved in activism of any kind.



The Kleinen family being a perfect example of people who are active and politically aware and who still had a modicum of trust in the system. From the article you will learn that they are no longer willing to cooperate with the police or even contact them.

For them to find out a year after the fact that the police had been in their home secretly in January 2015 and had taken personal and private information as well as samples of their DNA without their knowledge as well as raiding their home another time in March 2015 when they were present broke whatever trust they have and it will do so for a lot more people.

While the fact that the police can enter your home without your presence, secretly and without supervision is terrifying in and of itself just imagine what could happen if this becomes the norm and the police see this as a normal part of their investigation.



What is next?

Will they start planting evidence if they don't like your political views?

Will they, as we witnessed in the Nicky Hager raid, lie to the judge to get search warrants for their political masters and set people the government doesn't like up to be jailed after kangaroo court proceedings? Some 20 million Russians were killed in Russia by Stalin whose secret police and KGB torture centres and kangaroo court judges were willingly complicit in doing just that!

The experience this couple has had will play out ever more brutally in the coming years if we don't fight this tooth and nail!

New "X-Files" Will Take On 9/11 Conspiracy, World Government And NSA Spying

January 18 2016 | From: [ActivistPost](#)

Government corruption was always one of the main themes that played out in the classic television show [X-Files](#), and it was typically shown in the form of UFO and alien cover-ups.



However, the show's creator said in a recent interview that the new revival of the series will also touch on some of the more political conspiracies that take place in our world.

X-Files creator Chris Carter said Edward Snowden and issues like the 9/11 conspiracy will be fair game in the new revival of the show. The new series will feature the same classic characters, David Duchovny as Fox Mulder and Gillian Anderson as Dana Scully.

"A lot of the rights and liberties that were signed away [with the Patriot Act] are being abused now, and no one seems to care," Carter said.

"We see the admitted spying by the government. These are not things we're making up and it informs everything Mulder and Scully are doing," he added.

[Entertainment Weekly](#) reported that the new series featured issues like, "war in the Middle East, NSA spying, chem-trails (here called 'aerial contaminants'), police militarization, supposed FEMA prison camps, and the eventual military 'takeover of America' by a UN-like group of 'multinational elites.'"

"The idea of a New World Order is relevant," Carter says.

The article states that this elaborate web of conspiracies will tie back to the alien cover-up that took center stage in the older series.

Carter continued;

"I've kept my finger to the wind and trying to figure out what's relevant and possible credible. People know the show deals with science and fact and also deals with far-flung theories about not only the supernatural but government conspiracies.

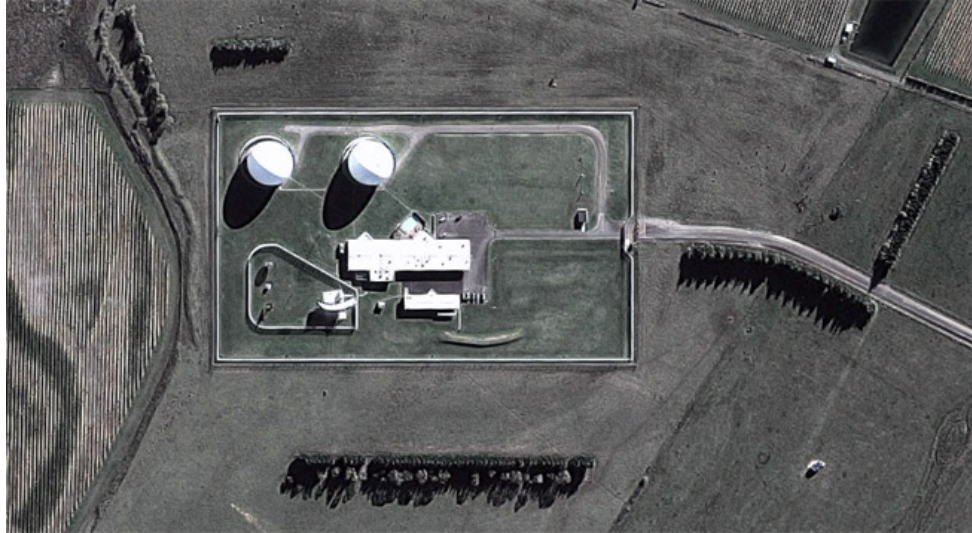
It throws out as many questions as it does answers. And I have to say what it's done for me and the writers it has given us a whole new open field which to run. It's given the show an interesting new life and context that it might not have had in 2002."



The Biggest Leak In History Reaches New Zealand

January 7 2016 | From: [Converge](#) / [NickyHager](#)

During 2015 the Edward Snowden leaks relating to New Zealand finally reached the news, the largest number of secret intelligence documents about New Zealand ever to reach the public. Snowden revelations had been appearing country by country for two years before they arrived here, so there is a risk that they might be taken a bit for granted.



But we do well to remember that leaks like this are not at all the normal state of affairs. The usual state with intelligence agencies is simply silence: no information, no news and no debate, unless of course the agencies themselves have chosen to release some self-justifying public relations.

It is inevitable that we will return to that silence before too long, so we should make the most of the rare insights that Edward Snowden has given us.

What follows is an overview of what we've learned; first the global picture and then about New Zealand in the Five Eyes alliance (US, UK, Canada, Australia, NZ). The most well-publicised and shocking news in the Snowden documents was the scale of surveillance by the US-UK intelligence agencies:

Tapping undersea cables, eavesdropping covertly from embassy buildings in numerous foreign capitals, intercepting the Internet in numerous ways, hacking into computer and telecom networks, routinely accessing US-based companies like Google and Facebook and much, much more.

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No, Everyone Doesn't Do It

Some apologists say "everyone does it". But that isn't factually true.

The Anglo-American surveillance network outstrips all other big powers in trying to spy on the whole Internet and all the communications on earth. It is a bizarre, science fiction-like mission. Two things have driven the massive expansion of surveillance. The most important is the growth of digital electronics.

Sixty five years ago when the Five Eyes alliance began, the primary target of electronic spying was long distance radio. The five agencies used every technical opportunity to monitor and extract usable intelligence from this sole medium of communication.

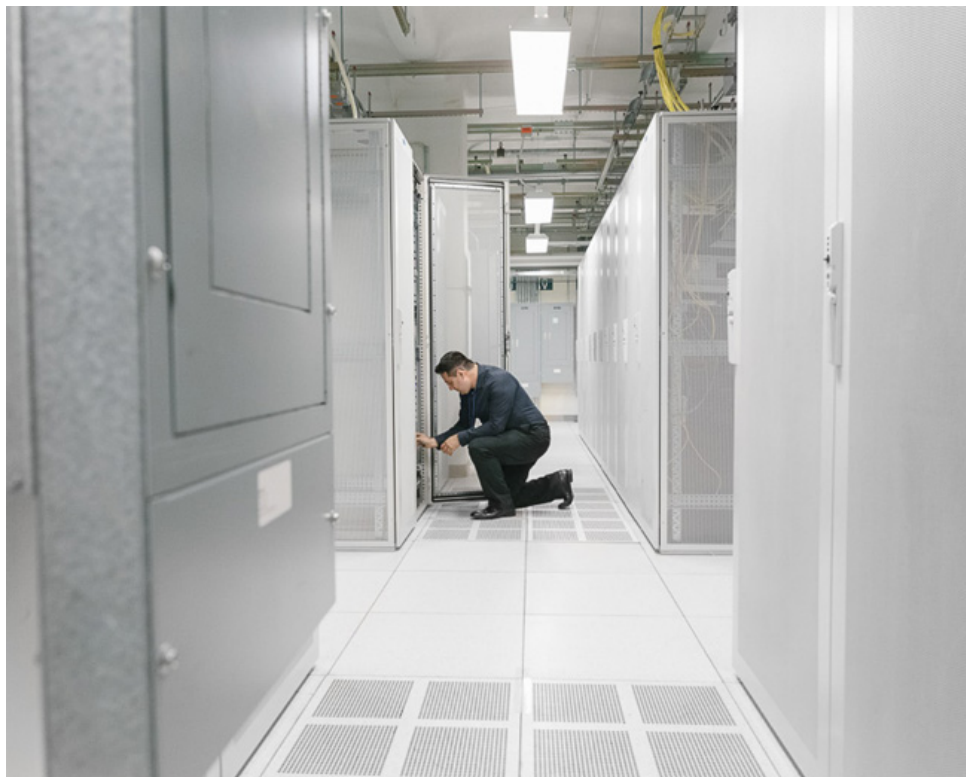
Twenty years ago - early in the digital age - when New Zealand intelligence staff told me about the alliance-wide mass surveillance systems used at the Waihopai station, the bulk communications of the world were relayed via satellites and these were the focus of the electronic spy agencies. This intelligence source was exploited to the maximum extent possible.



But today there are thousands of different digital systems and networks that communicate and store information. Each tiny detail of the booting of a computer, each aspect of a social media platform, each component of a mobile phone: they all provide potential vulnerabilities and access points for the teams of the electronic spies.

This is what the Snowden documents revealed. This is why the scale of surveillance has increased so much. The Anglo-American intelligence agencies continue to believe they should spy to the maximum extent possible and technology has hugely increased what is possible.

Technical opportunity combined fatefully with political opportunity. The September 11, 2001 attacks gave the intelligence agencies greatly increased resources and political support to expand their operations. Now, 14 years later, the September 11 attacks are in the past and many people understand the mess created by the War on Terror. But all the main elements of the mass surveillance regime built in those years remains.



The electronic spy agencies have a profound effect on world politics. The primary purpose of intelligence agencies is to help their countries to have power and influence over other countries; much the same role as military force. Intelligence agencies are the unseen influences in every international issue and dispute. This is, at heart, what it means to be a Five Eyes intelligence ally: taking sides in these international issues and disputes.

Some publicity of the Snowden revelations has made it seem as though the main casualties of mass surveillance systems were Americans and allied citizens, as national security intelligence gathering systems were secretly turned against domestic populations.

There is more on this subject below. But the main use by far of the Five Eyes intelligence systems is spying on the rest of the world. That is what the agencies are for, that is where the vast majority of the casualties are and that is the subject that

NZ Spies On Friends

The New Zealand-related Snowden revelations instantly made this clear. As the headline of the first newspaper story said: "The Price Of The Five Eyes Club: Mass Spying On Friendly Nations". A Government Communications Security Bureau (GCSB) report, obtained by Snowden from the computers of the National Security Agency (NSA), showed the New Zealand agency routinely spying on Samoa, Tuvalu, Nauru, Kiribati and all our other Pacific neighbours.



Private information on their governments, diplomats, economic negotiation positions and everything else from these supposed friends is handed on to the Five Eyes partners. The details are [here](#).

Some commentators argued that New Zealand needs to know the secrets of these nations for national security reasons, but that is weak and missed the point. The reason why New Zealand spies on these countries is as a long-term duty within the Anglo-American intelligence alliance.

The world is divided up between the US and its allies and New Zealand's agency got the job of spying on every country from French Polynesia to the Solomon Islands.

Old alliance obligations are put ahead of everything else. It is worth remembering that agencies like the GCSB get their legitimacy from the idea that they are fighting threats to the very security of the country.

That is how they built up their powers: Cold War-type spying justified for dire Cold War-type threats. But there has been endless mission drift and normalising of the use of national security-type capabilities against targets that are not a serious threat at all. The South Pacific microstates are a sad example of this.



Other leaked documents showed GCSB staff used the NSA's XKeyscore system to monitor the emails of senior public servants in the [Solomon Islands government](#). New Zealand was running inconsistent public and private foreign policies. In one, New Zealand is friendly to, and supports, the Solomons; in the other, New Zealand sells out the Solomons to gain political benefits in its US and UK relations.

The GCSB duties in the alliance cover many other countries too, as listed in an April 2013 NSA profile of the GCSB in a section headed "What Partner Provides to NSA". The review said the GCSB "continues to be especially helpful in its ability to provide NSA ready access to areas and countries ... difficult for the US to access".

It said the "[GCSB provides collection on China, Japanese/North Korean/Vietnamese/South American diplomatic communications, South Pacific island nations, Pakistan, India, Iran and Antarctica](#)".



These targets are largely disconnected from the rest of New Zealand's foreign policies and are not really about New Zealand's relations with those countries and territories at all. They are mainly about contributing to the intelligence alliance in its mission of spying on the whole world.

A strange example of this is New Zealand helping to spy on Bangladesh. The main security threat by far to Bangladesh is flooding because of climate change. New Zealand could be helping. We could give aid. But, unbeknown to the New Zealand Parliament and public, New Zealand's main (in fact, practically only) interaction with that country is helping spy on it, as part of the US war on terror. [The story can be read here.](#)

Spying On Chinese Consulate

Some of the GCSB spying has more direct and serious implications for New Zealand. The most striking example of this is about whether it is sensible for New Zealand to spy on its possibly most important trading partner to show its loyalty to old colonial intelligence ties.

The Government needs the best information possible to make decisions that protect and advance New Zealand's interests.

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This is about China. In public, the National government professes close and friendly relations with China. Many of the Government's economic plans revolve around increasing exports to that country. And it is strongly in New Zealand's interests not to get caught in big power rivalry between the US and China. But in secret, within the spy agencies, China comes first on the list of intelligence targets that New Zealand takes on for the US-led intelligence alliance.

Probably the most surprising thing we found in the Snowden papers was plans for a joint GCSB-NSA operation to hack into the communications of the [Chinese Consulate in Auckland](#).

If New Zealand has secrets worth stealing, then they're worth protecting.

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This seems almost crazy, with little practical gain likely compared to the obvious risks. But up until 2013, when Snowden left the NSA with his trove of internal documents, planning was full steam ahead for breaking international law and tapping into the Consulate communications. We wrote the story carefully, because Snowden's access to documents stopped before there was time to see that the Consulate spying was underway.

But my view was that it was such a sensitive subject that the Government would quickly deny the story if the spying had not gone ahead. When the story was published, the Government said nothing.

Threats to New Zealand's interests do not respect national boundaries.

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Intelligence agencies like to hint about the remarkable intelligence that New Zealand receives in exchange for contributing to the Five Eyes alliance. However the leaked GCSB and NSA documents contained far more about what New Zealand gives to the NSA than what it gets in return. The main benefit to New Zealand appears to be that New Zealand spies get access to high-tech NSA surveillance and analysis technology: setting up and training New Zealand staff to be able to contribute to the alliance-wide intelligence missions.

Spying For Tim Groser

There was only one story about New Zealand using its access to the international intelligence systems to get a particular benefit for New Zealand. It's a grubby and embarrassing story.



The story dates from early 2013, when Trade Minister Tim Groser was frantically travelling the world lobbying to be [appointed as Director General of the World Trade Organisation](#).

Candidates from eight other countries - Indonesia, Mexico, South Korea, Brazil, Kenya, Ghana, Jordan and Costa Rica - were also going for the job. The National government used the Five Eyes Internet mass surveillance systems to spy on the other candidates' emails.

In other words, it cheated, using the intelligence agency to do a favour for a mate. It is hard to imagine a more petty use of national security systems. That's what they got in return for spying on our friends, trading partners and neighbours. The final revelations worth mentioning are about the Waihopai station. Internal GCSB documents revealed for the first time precisely what systems are used there. I recommend [this article](#), or [here with the illustrations](#).

Waihopai's Odd Codenames

The Snowden-leaked documents reveal that the Waihopai staff use all of the following systems:

- Apparition** - finds position of isolated "VSAT" satellite users
- Darkquest** - analyses satellite communications
- Fallowhaunt** - targets "VSAT" satellite communications
- Juggernaut** - targets and processes cellphone communications
- Latentheat** - breaks the intercepted satellite signals down into individual messages
- Legalreptile** - collects text messages and call metadata
- Lopers** - searches for phone numbers in intercepted messages
- Semitone** - processes fax and voice messages
- Stonegate** - collects and processes dial-up and fax modem data
- Surfboard** - targets land-line phones
- Venusafect** - "command and control" of other systems
- Wealthycluster** - processes digital comms, especially voice over Internet protocol (VoIP)
- Xkeyscore** - targets and processes bulk Internet traffic.

Plus others with equally odd names for which we could not figure out the function. These are not GCSB or New Zealand systems. They are NSA systems, standard equipment in one of the standardised Five Eyes satellite interception stations dotted around the world.

They are a reminder of how thoroughly un-New Zealand the Waihopai operation is.

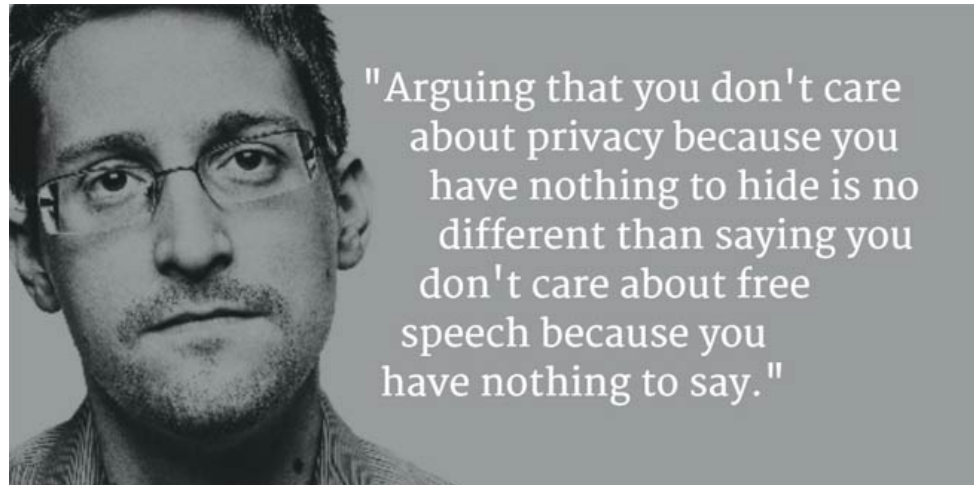
The final subject raised by the Snowden revelations is how much the Five Eyes intelligence systems have been turned against these countries' own citizens.

Spying On New Zealanders

Back when I was interviewing a range of GCSB staff in the 1990s, they assured me that there were strict rules against any of the Five Eyes agencies spying on their own or one of the other four countries' citizens. Except in exceptional situations, I think this was true.

It is now clear that technological change and the War on Terror politics have changed this. I think it is very important to be as precise as possible on this subject.

The idea of mass surveillance (whether it is correct or not) has an insidious and damaging effect on people. It corrodes our sense of private space and of private thoughts, and our sense of self. This means that people speaking publicly about the effects of intelligence activities have to be careful not to create needless fear. I will run through what I think is, and is not, going on.



First, following the Snowden revelations there have been claims that everyone is being monitored all the time: every time they take out a library book, speak on the phone or go on the Internet. This is not true and it's vital that we reassure people. The principle underlying mass surveillance systems is that they do try to catch everyone's communications in a giant spy net, so that when they want to target someone or some subject, the data is available.

But this does not mean that everyone is being actively watched; that some shadowy intelligence officer somewhere is actually monitoring those library books and emails.

Something like 99.99% of people caught in the electronic net will never be actively monitored. Sometimes their Internet browsing may be incidentally caught in an overseas Internet capture system, but it will almost certainly remain an unexamined piece of hay in a huge intelligence haystack.



We should be concerned about the real target groups (for instance currently some Muslim people) but we should not spread unnecessary fear to others. Nearly everyone who ever worries that they might be a target of mass surveillance systems is luckily wrong. They can live their lives feeling unviolated because it is genuinely alright.

The next point is that there is no evidence of mass surveillance systems in New Zealand. What I mean is that there is no evidence that internal New Zealand communications are intercepted en masse and processed into metadata or other intelligence. That is what the GCSB helps do to other countries, but not what happens here.

When Police or other Government agencies want to monitor a New Zealander or person within New Zealand, they mostly use a completely separate system. These systems are known in the trade as "LI" (lawful interception) systems.

A 2004 law (the Telecommunications (Interception Capability) Act) made it obligatory for all telcos, Internet service providers (ISPs) and network companies to install interception-capable equipment.



This means that when the Police or other agencies want to monitor an individual or group, they can get a warrant, plug into the company's servers via the LI back doors and extract all the specified people's data.

This is the same law enforcement arrangement seen in many similar countries which, like New Zealand, were lobbied in the 1990s and early 2000s by the US Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) to introduce the systems. But it is designed for targeted monitoring with a warrant. That's how it is mostly done in New Zealand. It has bad aspects, but nonetheless is more like traditional phone tapping than mass surveillance.

Thus the way it is supposed to work is that the GCSB/Five Eyes systems are used on other countries, but only the LI systems are used within New Zealand for investigating crimes and so on.

Stay Tuned For A Convenient Law Change

Then came the War on Terror, when increasingly the US and allied intelligence agencies turned their national security-style systems onto their own citizens. At the same time the growth of the Internet has meant that New Zealanders' communications can often be caught in the spy nets far away.

Nowadays, hundreds of thousands of New Zealanders' Internet traffic will be caught in Five Eyes Internet surveillance as it passes over US and British territory and automatically "ingested" into gigantic databases of Internet metadata (a record of who was communicating with whom, when and where.)

This doesn't mean New Zealanders are being actively targeted and it doesn't mean that anyone will actively look at most people's data.

But it does mean that it is a lie that New Zealanders are not being monitored in GCSB-aided mass surveillance systems.

When John Key assured the public that there was no mass surveillance of New Zealanders, he was referring to tapping of undersea cables. But the place that the GCSB definitely does mass surveillance is satellite communications monitored at Waihopai and that is where New Zealanders are being caught.



This is an issue right now. Large numbers of New Zealanders are being inadvertently caught in GCSB mass surveillance systems and by law this should not be occurring. So despite rewriting its laws to legalise the last round of unlawful GCSB monitoring, it appears the GCSB is still unlawfully monitoring a large number of New Zealanders (such as those communicating in the Pacific region).

Following the New Zealand Snowden revelations, the Inspector General of Intelligence and Security is currently investigating this situation. The GCSB will be looking for a way to legalise these latest unlawful operations. I suspect that the agencies will use the current far-from-independent Intelligence Review to get a recommendation for a convenient law change.

So, sadly, New Zealand has in part caught up with the rest of the world. Our citizens are affected by the Five Eyes surveillance systems like people in all the rest of the world.

No Controls Or Limits On Foreign Spying

But, as I said, if we care about minimising the harm to people we will not overstate it. These systems affect people everywhere but least of all in the Five Eyes nations, including New Zealand. Even where New Zealanders are caught in the net, this is not the same as active targeting and monitoring.



We should care far more about the publics and governments of other countries, who are constant targets of the Five Eyes harvest. For them there are no controls and no limits, and in our region it is silently aided by New Zealand through the GCSB.

Alex Jones Exposes The Truth Behind Star Wars

December 24 2015 | From: [Infowars](#)

Once again, science fiction mirrors reality...



Star Wars: The Force Awakens has hit theaters, continuing the cinematic saga of an interplanetary civilization's struggles with galactic war and tyranny.

Alex Jones breaks down the hidden truth behind the Star Wars films detailing the global warfare driven by a planetary empire on the verge of descending into a militarized police state.

Alex Jones Exposes Truth Behind Star Wars



Worst Anti-Privacy Bill Since The Patriot Act, Passes Hidden In A Budget Bill And Media Is Silent

December 22 2015 | From: [ActivistPost](#) / Various

On Friday, Congress passed a \$1.15 trillion omnibus spending package to continue funding the federal government, which included an already defeated, and extremely controversial cyber security bill, that was inserted into the spending package as a means of assuring its passage.



Sorry, they got their way this time

In spite of this massive revelation and horrific blow to privacy, the mainstream media remains mum. While many outlets are covering the passage of the spending bill, they are completely omitting anything about CISA.

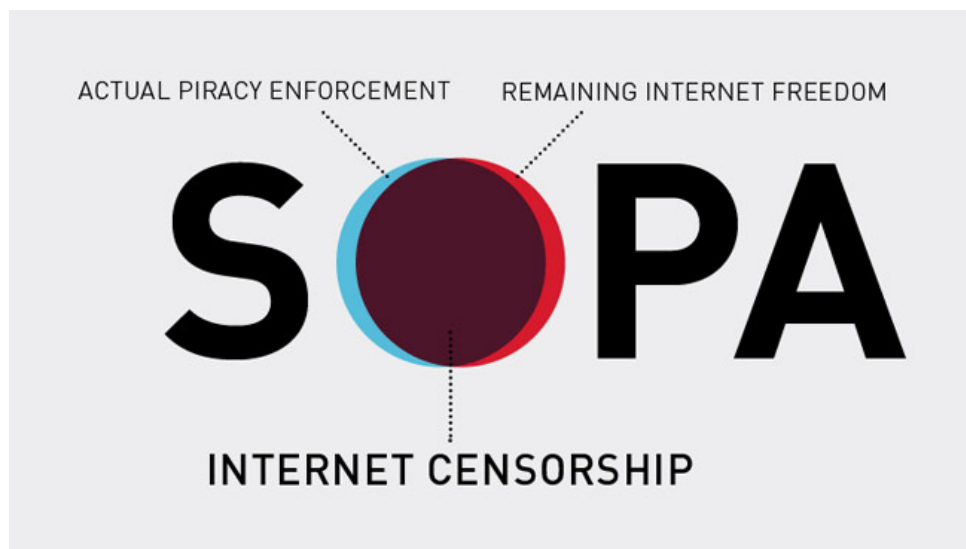
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[The New York Times](#), for example, broke the story Friday morning about Congress passing the omnibus measure. However, they conveniently left out any mention of CISA.

Aside from the tech sites who know about the dangers of this measure, the [entire realm of mainstream media is choosing to remain silent](#).

The Cyber Information Sharing Act (CISA), quietly pushed back in 2014 before being shut down by civil rights and privacy advocates, was added into the Omnibus Appropriations Bill by House Speaker Paul Ryan as a means circumventing rampant opposition to the anti-privacy legislation.

First it was SOPA, but they couldn't get that through:



SOPA Related: [The TPPA Is Worse Than We Thought: Environmental Risks, Runaway Corporate Power, Weakened Democracy: A Total Corporate Power Grab Nightmare](#)

Then they came up with CISPA, but they couldn't get that through.



CISPA Related: [SOPA's Evil Twin Sister – CISPA](#)

If they can't get what they want through in one bill, they morph it into another and keep on truckin' until they do:



The CISA legislation, which Rep. Justin Amash called ["the worst anti-privacy legislation since the USA PATRIOT Act."](#) has now been passed by Congress and will be signed into law by President Obama as part of the government spending package.

Advocates of the CISA provisions say their aim is to help prevent cyber threats, but critics say that the legislation essentially gives corporations legal immunity when sharing consumers' private data about hacks and digital breaches with the Department of Homeland Security.

According to a report by [Wired](#):

"It creates the ability for the president to set up "portals" for agencies like the FBI and the Office of the Director of National Intelligence, so that companies hand information directly to law enforcement and intelligence agencies instead of to the Department of Homeland Security.

And it also changes when information shared for cybersecurity reasons can be used for law enforcement investigations. The earlier bill had only allowed that backchannel use of the data for law enforcement in cases of "imminent threats," while the new bill requires just a "specific threat," potentially allowing the search of the data for any specific terms regardless of timeliness."

Originally, the CISA anti-privacy legislation was shelved after a public outcry against the bill, but corporations soon realized the bill would provide them with legal immunity for sharing customers' private data with the government and began a renewed effort to pass CISA.

And miraculously, even in defeat, a bad bill became worse, and a crisis became an opportunity.

"They took a bad bill, and they made it worse," Robyn Greene, policy counsel for the Open Technology Institute, told Wired.

"They've got this bill that's kicked around for years and had been too controversial to pass, so they've seen an opportunity to push it through without debate. And they're taking that opportunity."

By including [CISA into the government's overall spending package](#), it meant that for anti-privacy legislation to be defeated the spending bill had to also be defeated, which would have meant a government shutdown beginning next week.

"Unfortunately, this misguided cyber legislation does little to protect Americans' security and a great deal more to threaten our privacy than the flawed Senate version.

Americans demand real solutions that will protect them from foreign hackers, not knee-jerk responses that allow companies to fork over huge amounts of their customers' private data with only cursory review." Sen. Ron Wyden said of the insertion of the CISA into the spending bill."

It's a shameful testament to the power of corporations and the intelligence community, to craft legislation that the American people clearly don't support and then hide it within a budget bill to gain passage of the legislation, due to the fact that the public would never support it otherwise. What's more is that the Praetorian guard, also known as the mainstream media is choosing to keep it out of the public's eye.

"There's plenty wrong with this omnibus, but there's nothing more egregious than the cyber language they secretly slipped in," Rep. Justin Amash (R-Mich.) told The Hill by email.

Sadly, this seems to be business as usual in Washington, D.C.



When corporations and government craft and push their own legislation, which by large measure individuals and the public don't support, corporate fascism is clearly at the doorstep. A dangerous stage is being set for turnkey totalitarianism in the United States.

Please share this article with your friends and family who will most assuredly not hear about it on the TV or radio.

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Gordon Campbell On The Police Harassment Of Nicky Hager

December 21 2015 | From: [Scoop](#)

So now we know. If you've done something to really annoy the Establishment – hello, Kim Dotcom, Heather Du Plessis Allen, Nicky Hager and teapot tapes photographer Bradley Ambrose



Not only will you rocket to the top of the priority list for the Police and their scant resources, but chances are they'll overstep their lawful authority while turning you over.

Meanwhile the dodgy behaviours and payments documented in Hager's book *Dirty Politics* will go un- investigated. How many more examples of Police partiality in the use of its investigative discretion do we need?

The Police are a tool. Cross their political masters and you'll pay the price.

In the case of the Hager investigation there are several disturbing aspects. Beforehand, the Police knew they were unlikely to find any evidence relevant to the identity of the hacker they were trying to find. Hager was officially not a suspect. Justice Clifford's decision says that this was a mission motivated by little more than hope.



Secondly, what the judge called the Police's "fundamental error" was that they failed to reveal to the District Court judge issuing the search warrant that the target of their warrant was a journalist – and therefore someone likely to enjoy the protections afforded to journalists under the Evidence Act.

This looks particularly suspicious when – at 8.30am in a search that went on to 6pm – the Police actually *asked* Hager whether he wanted to invoke his journalistic privilege. Which Hager immediately did. As a result, this prevented the Police from examining the material they were gathering.

It became evidence that had to be bagged and sealed, and could be opened subsequently only at the order of (another) judge. Therefore, if this was a raid designed to get evidence that would quickly uncover the hacker's identity, it had become pointless almost as soon as the Police gained entry to Hager's house.

The more important point being: If the Police knew about the probability of journalistic privilege being invoked, why didn't they tell the District Court judge beforehand – in which case, the judge might have asked them some awkward questions.



With hindsight, it looks like a willful lack of disclosure by the Police officers concerned. (Lets leave aside for now the issue of how the Police managed to find a judge who must be the only person in New Zealand unaware that this Nicholas Alfred Hager bloke named on the warrant was, in fact, a journalist.

Did it not occur to the judge to ask any questions at all? Given that the scrutiny of the judge is supposed to be a check and balance on Police getting search warrants willy nilly, this part of the story isn't very re-assuring, either.)

So, where are we now? Hager has had his belongings (some of them the basic tools of his trade) held in Police custody for well over a year. Hopefully – if the Police don't appeal the decision – those belongings will now be returned, and lets hope that the inconvenience gets added to the compensation and damages payment Hager is now surely liable to receive, after being on the receiving end of an unlawful Police warrant and search.



Already there has been a lot of talk about how Justice Clifford's decision has set a precedent [and raised the bar on journalistic privilege](#). I don't really think so. The rules were already there in black and white in the Evidence Act, and the Police broke them at will.

If sufficiently motivated, they will do so again. The next time someone royally pisses off the political Establishment, it's a safe bet that the Police will come knocking on their door.

In this case, the Police were hoping to find something that might criminalise Hager, and shut him up for good. If that didn't happen, they could at least harass him, inconvenience him and disrupt his ability to do his work for months and months on end.

That goal has been achieved. Ultimately, you can bet no Police officer will be sanctioned over this affair. And as always, the taxpayers will pick up the compensation tab for the Police incompetence (and/or malice) that has marked their behavior on this occasion.

Police Raid On Nicky Hager's Home Ruled Unlawful

December 18 2015 | From: [AotearoaAWiderPerspective](#) / [RadioNZ](#)

Today was a good day for what remains of our besieged democracy! The police raid on Nicky Hager's home was ruled illegal and unlawful! My congratulations to Nicky Hager and many, many thanks for his courage and dignified response.



I know from experience how damaging and stressful both bullying on that scale and the subsequent effort to get justice can be. We need people like Nicky Hager to be able to do their work and we need whistle blowers to be safe when they expose people in power and their nasty dirty politics!

Related: [Privacy Implications Of Westpac's Release Of Nicky Hager's Personal Information](#)

Also my heartfelt gratitude for Justice Clifford for the clear and forceful ruling he has made!

There should be repercussions for the people involved and heads should roll over the bullying tactics of the police and their superiors!

The High Court in Wellington has found police failed to disclose relevant information to the judge who issued a search warrant.

The warrant was obtained and the search took place after blogger Cameron Slater laid a complaint when information from his computer, obtained by a hacker known as Rawshark, was published in Mr Hager's book *Dirty Politics*.

Justice Clifford declared the warrant was "fundamentally unlawful".

Speaking on *Checkpoint* Mr Hager said it was a good day for journalism;

"If this decision had gone the wrong way then all around the country, and into the future, there would have been people we needed to be speaking up on issues as sources – telling the media what was going, on letting the public know about things – who would have been more frightened of doing that."

He said the police action was a case of, "raid first and sort it out later."

What the police thought they could do... they thought they could raid the house, take all our stuff, and then sometime in the future in a court case decide whether they were allowed it or not."

Mr Hager said he was very happy with the decision, for his family and what he said were the important principles it upheld.

He said the public's right to receive information about the actions of people in positions of authority was at the heart of the case.

▶ [Listen to Mr Hager on Checkpoint](#) (4 min 47 sec)

Mr Hager said it also acknowledged that the confidential sources used in investigative journalism, and in his case his book *Dirty Politics*, deserved legal protection.

He said more hearings would follow on other police actions taken against him, and he would be seeking costs and damages. Mr Hager had asked the court to rule on the legality of the search warrant and the search of his home last October.

Police said they received Justice Clifford's decision this afternoon and would take time to study the decision and consider further legal options with Crown Law.

▶ [Crown admits breach in Hager search](#)

▶ [Crown responds to issues raised by Hager's lawyers](#)

▶ [Court hears about 'chilling' effect of Hager search](#)

▷ [NZ spies on Asian countries, says Hager](#)

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Donald Sutherland Explains The Real Meaning Of 'The Hunger Games' And Why Its Message Must Be Understood

December 1 2015 | From: [TheFreeThoughtProject](#)

There are some inside Hollywood, who are trying to wake up the world - Donald Sutherland is one of them.



Hollywood actor, Donald Sutherland just dropped a bombshell on the military industrial complex. Sutherland, who plays President Coriolanus Snow in the blockbuster movie series Hunger Games, was recently asked what the movie was really about – he held no punches in his answer.

"The young people who see this film must recognize that for the future 'blind faith in their leaders,' as Bruce Springsteen said, 'will get you dead.'"

Comment: It is interesting to note that the family 'Sutherland' is listed as one of the [top 300 family bloodlines of the Illuminati](#). However this does not mean that Donald is Illuminati, although his significance in the entertainment industry is curious.

The point is though, that just because a person has the surname of an Illuminati bloodline family does not necessarily mean that any such particular individual is "Illuminati".

My family name is on that same list also, and while I know there are some in my family line that are "Illuminati", I most certainly am not.

Sutherland continued:

"If there's any question as to what it's an allegory for I will tell you.

It is the powers that be in the United States of America. It's profiteers.

War is for profit. It's not "to save the world for democracy" or "for king and country.

*No, bulls**t.*

It's for the profit of the top 10%, and the young people who see this film must recognize that for the future 'blind faith in their leaders,' as Bruce Springsteen said, "will get you dead."

Those who are awake to the war machine, and have watched the movies or read the books, have undoubtedly seen the underlying anti-establishment theme within. However, those who do not notice it should heed Sutherland's words.



It is no question that war is for the profit of very few people. In fact, as the famous, two-time Medal of Honor recipient, Major General Smedley Butler of the USMC said;

"WAR is a racket. It always has been.

It is possibly the oldest, easily the most profitable, surely the most vicious. It is the only one international in scope. It is the only one in which the profits are reckoned in dollars and the losses in lives.

A racket is best described, I believe, as something that is not what it seems to the majority of the people. Only a small "inside" group knows what it is about. It is conducted for the benefit of the very few, at the expense of the very many. Out of war a few people make huge fortunes.

In the World War [I] a mere handful garnered the profits of the conflict. At least 21,000 new millionaires and billionaires were made in the United States during the World War. That many admitted their huge blood gains in their income tax returns. How many other war millionaires falsified their tax returns no one knows.

How many of these war millionaires shouldered a rifle? How many of them dug a trench? How many of them knew what it meant to go hungry in a rat-infested dug-out? How many of them spent sleepless, frightened nights, ducking shells and shrapnel and machine gun bullets? How many of them parried a bayonet thrust of an enemy? How many of them were wounded or killed in battle?"

Sutherland does get one thing wrong, however, and that is the percentage that he assigns to those who profit from war. It is nowhere near 10% as he states. Those who profit from war, as Smedley Butler points out above, are a tiny group of people. The ruling elite.



It's the weapons manufacturers, the arms dealers, the inside politicians, and the state itself. Everyone else involved in war, including those who die for it, are merely pawns. They are cogs in the machine whose only purpose is to spread death and destruction.

Please share this article and video so that others, who may have missed the point of this movie series, may see its true purpose – calling out the elite for the criminals that they are.

Donald Sutherland reveals some dark secrets



What You're Not Being Told About Booz Allen Hamilton And Edward Snowden

November 30 2015 | From: [Truthloader](#)

Edward Snowden didn't actually work for the NSA, he worked for a contractor called Booz Allen Hamilton.



How did it come to be that Snowden, working for a private company, was able to leak information about a top secret surveillance program?

What you're not being told about Booz Allen Hamilton and Edward ... ⌚ ➦

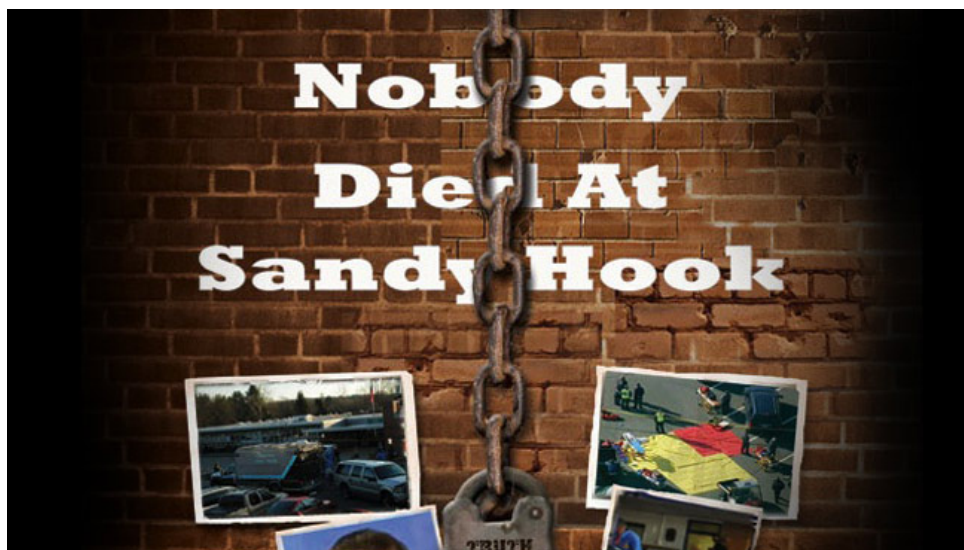


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Censorship Shock: Amazon.com Bans Investigative Book 'Nobody Died At Sandy Hook' Because It Disagrees With Government Version Of What Happened

November 28 2015 | From: [NaturalNews](#)

In a stunning demonstration of online book burning, Amazon.com has just banned a book because of its contents.



The book *Nobody Died at Sandy Hook* consists of analysis from a dozen contributor authors, and it's edited by Jim Fetzer, Ph.D. The book concludes that Sandy Hook was a staged FEMA drill carried out by the government to push an agenda of nationwide gun control.

Use hashtag **#StopAmazonCensorship** to [Tweet this story](#).

We have a full download of the book below in PDF form, so keep reading if you want to find out what's so "dangerous" about this book that Amazon had to ban it...

Whether the authors' conclusions are well-founded or complete lunacy isn't the point here. Amazon.com has selectively targeted this book for censorship **due to the political incorrectness of the author's conclusions**.

Remember, Amazon.com went out of its way to ban Confederate flags in the aftermath of another shooting, enforcing a grotesque, almost Stalinist political correctness in its decision to pull Confederate flag merchandise from its online store (including children's toys like the General Lee car from *Dukes of Hazzard*).



Yet at the same time, Amazon sells tens of thousands of books asserting all sorts of bizarre things, from authors who believe [the Earth is literally flat](#) to Adolf Hitler's pro-genocidal [Mein Kampf](#).

"If you Disagree with the Government, Amazon can Pull your Book..."

Amazon's banning of Fetzer's book is a dangerous precedent of banning books based on their non-conformity with political correctness. "Amazon gave me no reason," Fetzer told Natural News.

"The situation is completely absurd... if you disagree with a government version of anything, Amazon can pull your book."

This brings up the possibility that Amazon might soon ban U.S. history books that show the country's Founding Fathers in a positive light, for example. Will books on Thomas Jefferson soon be memory holed by the Amazon Ministry of Truth?

What about books that question the cancer industry or Monsanto's GMOs? Notably, Jeff Bezos is both the founder of Amazon.com and the owner of the *Washington Post*, a highly politicized paper whose "science" writers parrot Monsanto talking points with absolute obedience.

On [Fetzer's blog](#), he further explains that Amazon.com had already accepted his book for publication, then reversed its position when sales began to take off:

Create Space and amazon.com review every submission for its suitability for publication and conformity to their guidelines before they are accepted for publication. They accepted and published NOBODY DIED AT SANDY HOOK on 22 October 2015, nearly a month ago.

There is no good reason for this book to now be taken down for further review other than that it has become a sensation and has the potential to embarrass the administration of President Barack Hussein Obama, which appears to be the underlying problem.

[Click here to search GoodGopher.com for "Sandy Hook."](#) Good Gopher is the indy media search engine I created as an alternative to the Google censorship now experienced by nearly everyone across the independent media.

What's so Dangerous About a Book that most Americans think is Complete Fiction Anyway?

According to Amazon.com, selling a pro-genocide book by Adolf Hitler seems perfectly acceptable, yet something in Jim Fetzer's "Nobody Died at Sandy Hook" is so incredibly offensive (or dangerous) that it must be banned at all costs.

It begs the obvious question: **What is so dangerous about Fetzer's book that Amazon.com must banish it from retail?**

Perhaps 90% of Americans would take one look at the title and consider the book to be a complete joke from the start. They'd call it "loony conspiracy theory" material and wouldn't give it a second thought. So why bother banning it? Or is the book so compelling that it runs the risk of making "believers" out of former skeptics?

If "Nobody Died at Sandy Hook" is filled with complete nonsense, then why risk making it a sensation from the censorship angle alone? (See the latest indy media headlines on censorship at [Censorship.news](#).)



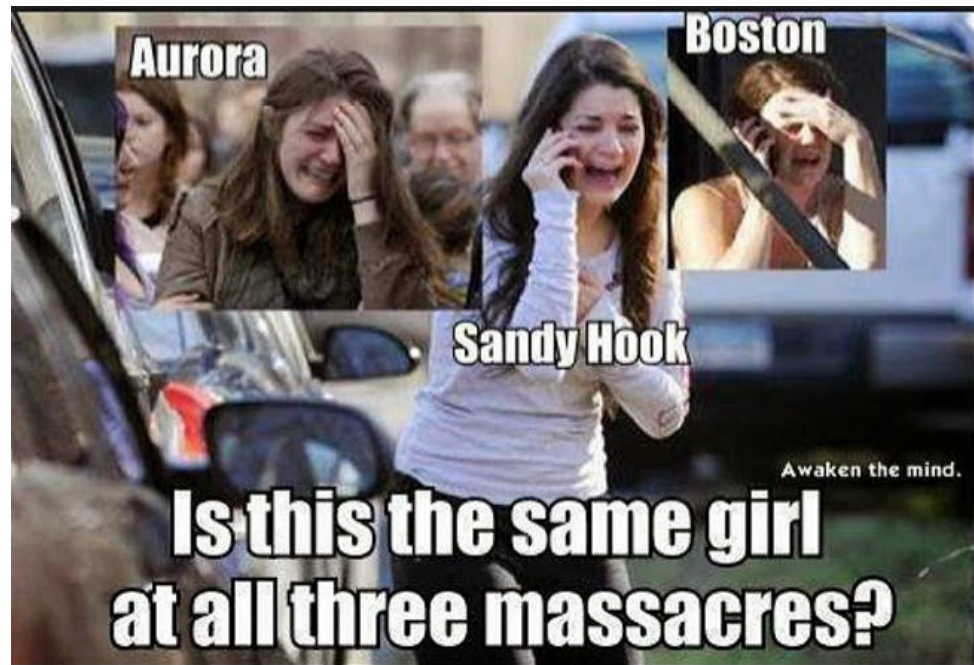
Amazon.com sells all sorts of books filled with complete nonsense, including the [Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders, 5th Edition: DSM-5](#). If a book's factual basis is the determining factor for whether it should be carried by the online retailer, then half of Amazon.com's inventory must now be reviewed and possibly pulled.

Clearly, something in "Nobody Died at Sandy Hook" has the powers that be so frightened that they are desperately trying to memory hole the book.

What if Sandy Hook were Totally Staged?

I haven't read the book, and school shootings are not my investigative focus, so I'm not yet informed enough to make any conclusive statements on this topic. **But my curiosity is raised**, and there are some things we already know about the fraud of staged news events and political events taking place right now.

For example, we know the mainstream media is largely fake and staged. We know **CNN uses "crisis actors"** and that a few of these crisis actors were also on location at the Sandy Hook event, crying on cue and playing out their roles for the TV cameras (see the video links below).



We also know that some of these same crisis actors appear multiple times on camera at different staged events such as the Boston Bombing and the Umpqua Community College shooting.

See the following videos for examples of footage on these "crisis actors." (I can't vouch for the authenticity of all these videos, by the way. This is just a sampling of what's out there on this topic...)

- ▶ [Same crisis actor at Sandy Hook and Boston Bombing](#)
- ▶ [Sandy Hook crisis actors read cue cards for the cameras](#)
- ▶ [Crisis actors busted: Fake Sandy Hook eyewitness](#)
- ▶ [Sandy Hook hoax and lies](#)

And this one from just six days ago: [Sandy Hook crisis actors pose as Paris attack victims!](#)

We also know for a fact that Sandy Hook was seized upon by gun control opponents in an attempt to destroy the [Second Amendment rights](#) of all Americans. The crisis appears to have been ready made for precisely such a political push, complete with the imagery of children's bodies and sobbing parents which, according to Fetzer, was nothing more than elaborate theater.

That's the basis of his book, after all: That the entire "shooting" was staged as a drill. Nobody really died at Sandy Hook, he says, and a quick glance at his book definitely raises some interesting questions.

5-Star Ratings from Amazon.com Readers... So Why was it Banned?

As the screen shot shows below, this book was receiving 5-star reviews from Amazon readers. (h/t to [Rense.com](#) for the screen shot.)

[Amazon.com: Nobody Died At Sandy Hook: It wasn't a School ...](#)

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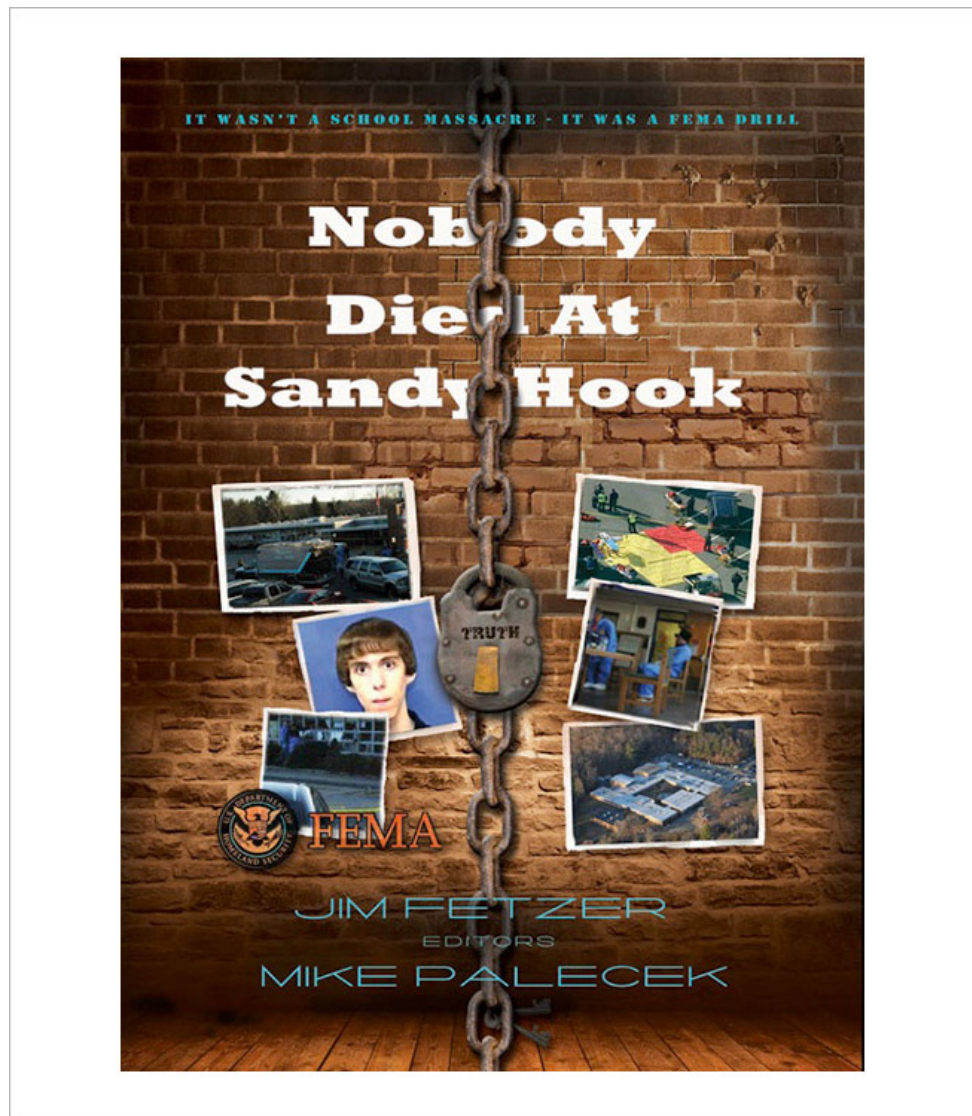
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We're also interviewing Fetzer and will be posting the interview on TalkNetwork.com tomorrow, during the *Health Ranger Report* show which airs at 11am Pacific / 2pm Eastern. Listen in at TalkNetwork.com.



Censoring Unpopular Thought

Amazon's censorship effort should be disturbing to all of us, regardless of whether we agree or disagree with the conclusions of the author of this banned book.

By banning this book because of its speech, Amazon.com now believes **it has a right to determine "truth" in books and ban those books that contradict the company's opinions on current events.**

Amazon.com, in other words, has just become your Big Brother, and it's going to decide what you can and cannot read. To me, that's far more alarming than anything we might find in the pages of "Nobody Died at Sandy Hook," regardless of whether it's truth or fiction.



If Amazon.com is now the arbiter of what kind of political information you're allowed to read, then we're already deep into the

corporatocracy of a police state society... and it all gives even more credence to the possibility that Fetzer's book rings true with an increasing number of Americans who are waking up to what's really happening.

Britain Is Too Tolerant And Should Interfere More In People's Lives, Says David Cameron

November 27 2015 | From: [Independent](#)

The PM is unveiling measures to crack down on 'extremists'. Britain is too "passively tolerant" and should [not leave people to live their lives](#) as they please **just because they obey the law**, David Cameron has said.



At the National Security Council today Mr Cameron unveiled a series of measures that he said would crack down on people holding minority "extremist" views that differed from Britain's consensus.

"For too long, we have been a passively tolerant society, saying to our citizens 'as long as you obey the law, we will leave you alone';" he said.

"It's often meant we have stood neutral between different values. And that's helped foster a narrative of extremism and grievance."

Speaking on BBC Radio 4 today, however, the Home Secretary Theresa May said that tolerance and rule of law were 'British values'.

"[The measures are part of a] bigger picture, a strategy which will also have as a key part of it actually promoting our British values, our values of democracy, rule of law, tolerance and acceptance of different faiths," she said.

She said the measures would focus on "seeking to undermine the very values that make us a great country to live in".

Ms May first set out the proposals presented by Mr Cameron before the general election but was prevented from bringing them forward by the Liberal Democrats.



The package of powers, first proposed in March, would allow courts to force a person to send their tweets and Facebook posts to the police for approval.

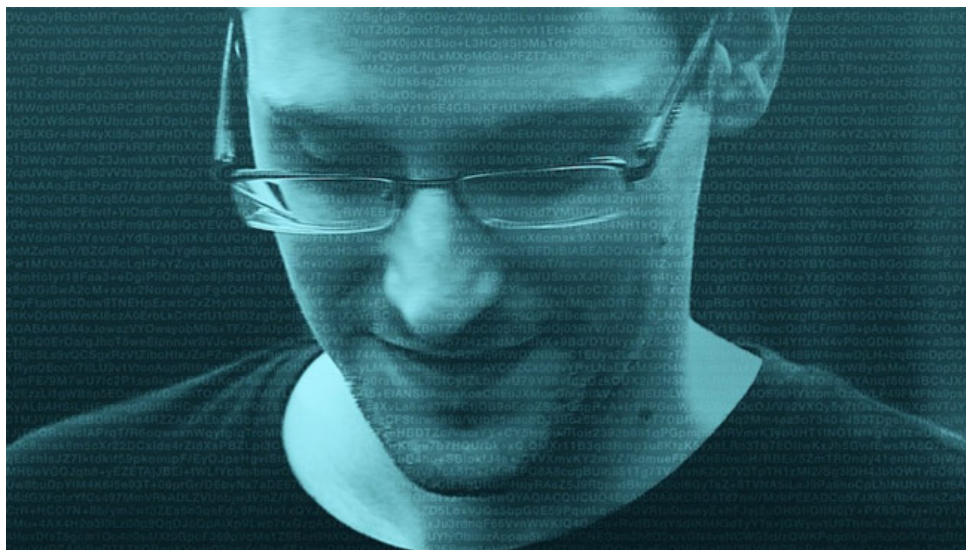
Ofcom will have new powers to pressurise broadcasters which show content deemed "extreme" while the Charity Commission would be mandated to scrutinise charities who "misappropriate funds".

The Prime Minister's comments about tolerance were met with criticism on social media.

Snowden Vindicated As Judge Shuts Down NSA Bulk Spying In Epic Smackdown

November 13 2015 | From: [DCclothesline](#) / [Geopolitics](#)

On Monday, a federal judge ordered [a halt to the NSA's bulk metadata](#) collection program in a reiteration and confirmation of a previous ruling that found the practice "unconstitutional" - and even "Orwellian."



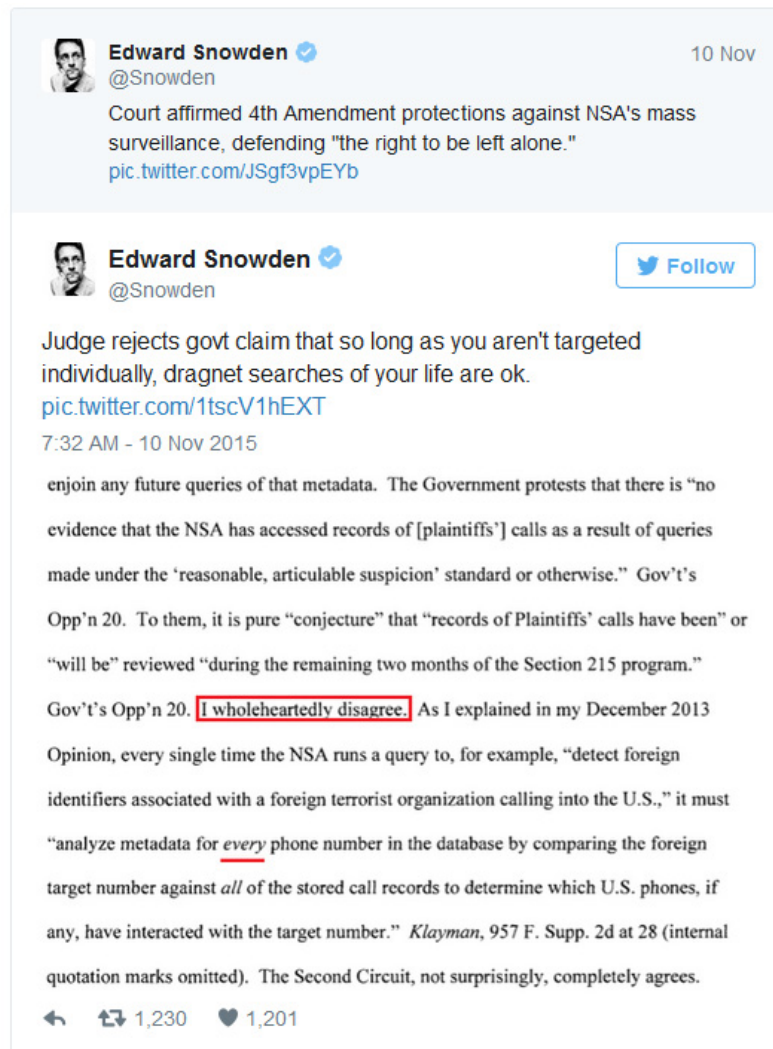
"This court simply cannot, and will not, allow the government to trump the Constitution merely because it suits the exigencies of the moment," stated Washington, D.C. District Court Judge [Richard Leon](#) in his mordant [43-page ruling](#).

Related: [Snowden Celebrates 'Broadly Influential' Ruling Against NSA Dragnet](#)

[Edward Snowden](#) immediately [hailed the decision](#), pointing out significant passages from the court to his millions of Twitter followers. Of particular importance - and, indeed, at the heart of both known and potentially unknown domestic spy programs - remains the impossible reckoning between Fourth Amendment protections and the government's claims of a national security imperative.

"Moved by whatever momentary evil has aroused their fears, officials - perhaps even supported by a majority of citizens - may be tempted to conduct searches that sacrifice the liberty of each citizen to assuage the perceived evil. But the Fourth Amendment rests on the principle that a true balance between the individual and society depends on the recognition of 'the right to be let [sic] alone - the most comprehensive of rights and the right most valued by civilized men,'" the ruling stated, with emphasis added by Snowden.

In another tweet, the whistleblower summarized the ruling: "Judge rejects government claim that so long as you aren't targeted individually, dragnet searches of your life are OK."



Though Leon's judgment arrives mere weeks before [metadata collection](#) would naturally end under the [USA Patriot Act's Section 215](#) upon [implementation](#) of the newly passed [USA Freedom Act](#), he emphasized potential implications of any undue delay in bringing such spying to a close, stating:

"In my December 2013 Opinion, I stayed my order pending appeal in light of the national security interests at stake and the novelty of the constitutional issues raised. I did so with the optimistic hope that the appeals process would move expeditiously.

However, because it has been almost two years since I first found that the NSA's Bulk Telephony Metadata Program likely violates the Constitution and because of the loss of constitutional freedoms for even one day is a significant harm [...] I will not do that today."



In other words, the judge harshly repudiated the government's already poorly disguised emphasis on national security to justify bulk collection as wholly secondary to the individual's right to privacy under the Constitution.

Leon's [2013 ruling](#) was struck down in August this year, when an appeals court found the plaintiff in [Klayman v. Obama](#) had not established the legal standing necessary to dispute the constitutionality of the NSA program. Once amended appropriately, the judge was able to make a ruling on the original case and [issue an injunction](#) to halt bulk collection.

In this ruling, Leon sharply admonished the appeals court for its reversal, saying:

*"Because the loss of constitutional freedoms is an 'irreparable injury' of the highest order, and relief to the two named plaintiffs would not undermine national security interests, I found that a preliminary injunction was not merely warranted — it was **required**."* [emphasis by the judge]

Seemingly irritated at the insult of the government maintaining its position on the necessity of bulk collection while ignoring the preceding twenty-two months to find less invasive means to achieve the same goal, Leon searingly stated:

"To say the least, it is difficult to give meaningful weight to a risk of harm created, in significant part, by the Government's own recalcitrance."

Pointing out the painfully obvious, Leon derided fictitious claims the government needs bulk data collection at all, considering the program thwarted exactly zero terror attacks throughout its entire duration. In rebuttal to claims the contentious NSA program remains reasonably effective, the judge flatly stated:

"This is a conclusion I simply cannot reach given the continuing lack of evidence that the Program has ever actually been successful as a means of conducting time-sensitive investigations in cases involving imminent threats of terrorism."

Pulling no punches, Leon concludes with a scathing challenge to the naïveté and blind acceptance Congress mistakenly presumed the public and court would give the contentiously invasive program:

"To be sure, the very purpose of the Fourth Amendment would be undermined were this court to defer to Congress's determination that individual liberty should be sacrificed to better combat today's evil."

Employing linguistic subtlety which, at times, borders on a verbal smackdown, [Judge Richard Leon](#) brilliantly sent the NSA, Congress, and rest of the government a message that couldn't be denied this second time around: **Nobody buys your bullshit.**

The Refugee Crisis False Flag Will [Aims To] Usher In A UN Global Biometric ID System

November 10 2015 | From: [WND](#) / Various

Thousands of Muslim migrants 'disappear' from camps. Where oh where have the Muslim migrants gone?



That is the question German authorities are asking themselves after some troubling reports of disappearances.

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According to German press reports, keeping track of all the Muhammads and Alis pouring across borders is proving ever so tricky for European countries being flooded with people on the move from the Middle East and Africa.

Now, the United Nations is partnering with a private company to offer a solution – a new “universal” identification system that will comply with the United Nations’ sustainability goal of getting “legal” biometric IDs that include iris scans, photographs and fingerprints, [“into the hands of everyone in the world by the year 2030.”](#)

It offers hope for the UN’s [Sustainable Development Goal](#) of getting legal ID into the hands of everyone in the world by the year 2030 with its Identification for Development (ID4D) initiative.

As author-blogger Pamela Geller [noted this week](#), citing [German press reports](#), more than one in two refugees from one camp went missing and are now unaccounted for and considered “on the run.”

At least 580 refugees initially were reported to have disappeared from Camp Shelterschlefe. Now, in a “terrible new twist,” the disappearances are spreading.

“It’s become an epidemic,” Geller said. “7,000 migrants have left the Brandenburg shelters. Where are they going? Who is sheltering these illegals, many with ties to ISIS?”

Such a high number of people hiding is “completely unacceptable,” according to the German authorities.

“Where are they hiding? Could they be connecting with sleeper cells?” Geller writes.

“Is it any wonder that Europeans are scrambling for guns?” Geller added, referencing a report by WND earlier this week that long guns are flying off the shelves in Austria and other countries where it’s still legal for average citizens to buy firearms.

[Die Welt](#) is reporting that thousands of refugees have left their assigned accommodations.



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"They are simply not there anymore," the news outlet reports. Refugees disappear daily from the initial welcoming centers in Brandenburg without giving notice.

Authorities said they believed the missing persons to be heading on their own to stay with family or friends already in Germany or in other countries throughout Europe, or at least that's the hope.

Several hundred migrants have disappeared each week since the beginning of September without signing in, Ingo Decker, the spokesman of the Potsdam Ministry of the Interior, told Die Welt.

"Eventually, these refugees are simply not there anymore," he said.

On Wednesday alone, more than 600 people left the welcoming center, Susan Fischer, the deputy ministry spokeswoman, reported to the newspaper. According to official figures of the state government, more than 17,000 newcomers came into the country since early September. About 7,800 have been housed in cities and villages, about 2,700 people are still in the initial reception centers. That leaves at least 7,000 who have left and are AWOL.

A report from German news outlet Faz.net headlined "[Refugees disappearing from lodging](#)," says around 700 refugees disappeared from emergency accommodations in Lower Saxony. Voices calling for a direct registration by the governmental agencies are getting louder.

National authorities required cities and towns in the region to accommodate 4,000 on short notice and now can't account for all of them.

Germany's welcome mat 'setting the stage'

Paul McGuire, an analyst who has appeared on Fox News and the History Channel and co-author of the new book, "[The Babylon Code: Solving the Bible's Greatest End Times Mystery](#)," says the heavy influx of Muslim migrants almost assures there will be another terrorist attack at least as big as what happened in Paris earlier this year at the Charlie Hebdo newspaper office.



He said sources in Germany tell him the majority of the nearly 1 million migrants who have streamed into the country are between 18 and 25.

"There's no way they could be this stupid and let this many in. It has the look of something intentional," he said.

"I'm getting emails from people in Germany. They know this is being done on purpose, to destroy their villages and towns."

McGuire said he was in France just a few days after the Charlie Hebdo attack.

"They were sitting ducks, and the people of France were completely shocked," he said. "So they're setting the stage for another attack."

McGuire said the leaders of the global "hardcore left," such as billionaire philanthropist George Soros, are using the Muslim migrants as a battering ram against the walls of the Christian West.

Hungary Prime Minister Viktor Orban was quoted by a public radio outlet this week calling out Soros for his backing of the migrant invasion, saying:

"His name is perhaps the strongest example of those who support anything that weakens nation states, they support everything that changes the traditional European lifestyle. These activists who support immigrants inadvertently become part of this international human-smuggling network."



McGuire said the Muslim migrants are particularly useful to socialist globalists like Soros.

"They are like a bludgeoning group, they can bludgeon everything Christian out of our society," he said.

"The hard left uses them because they demand all these laws and special accommodations, and inevitably they enact Shariah and force the culture to go into retreat, and then you have this weak Christianity that can't withstand anything."

'Driving the new world order'

McGuire sees a perfect storm brewing in which global authorities will need to keep better track of people, especially refugees, but the new rules will end up applying to everyone.

"So these migrants are coming to drive the new world order, to bring order out of chaos," he said.

"You destroy nationalism, destroy social cohesion, and then these Muslim groups coming in will create a crisis and force a response that will feature a state crackdown and the need for heightened security, and one of the ways you do that is through universal IDs. It's just evil."

A large portion of Germany's missing refugees had not been registered, nor had they applied for asylum, which is a recipe for chaos. The local authorities point out that they have no authority to hold people.

The same rules apply to refugees sent from the Third World to American cities.

Once they are resettled in a city, whether it's Denver or Minneapolis, Des Moines or Detroit, they are free to migrate anywhere in the United States. The refugees are placed on a fast track to full citizenship and signed up for various welfare benefits by resettlement agencies affiliated with Catholic, Lutheran, Episcopal, Jewish and evangelical-Christian organizations. A congressional research study found that 91 percent of refugees from the Middle East receive food stamps.

Local politician Angelika Jahns criticized the current situation in Germany. *"We need to know who is staying in Lower Saxony,"* she told Die Welt. She said the refugees should be registered as soon as they arrive in Lower Saxony, but they are not forced to do so by the German national government.

The problem of refugees gone missing is clearly on the radar of global elites, and in fact they are already using the refugee crisis to promote a sweeping new global ID system, WND has learned.



The United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees in May 2015 awarded a three-year contract to a firm called Accenture to "identify and track" refugees in a pilot program targeting camps in Africa and Asia with a new biometric ID, [reports FindBiometrics.com](#), a trade journal covering the biometric and information management industries. Accenture is an international technology services provider based in Chicago.

Here is how FindBiometrics describes the project:

"The UNHCR will use Accenture's Biometric Identity Management System (BIMS) for the endeavor. BIMS can be used to collect facial, iris, and fingerprint biometric data, and will also be used to provide many refugees with their only form of official documentation.

The system will work in conjunction with Accenture's Unique Identity Service Platform (UISP) to send this information back to a central database in Geneva, allowing UNHCR offices all over the world to effectively coordinate with the central UNHCR authority in tracking refugees.

"Starting with a pilot project in the Dzaleka Refugee Camp in Malawi, the program has blossomed over the last couple of years to provide services in refugee camps in Thailand and Chad, with over 220,000 people identified in the two countries so far.

It's an ambitious project, but Accenture has experience with large-scale biometric system initiatives, having helped the Department of Homeland Security's Office of Biometric Identity Management with a major border control project, for example.

This latest endeavor will see the company's technology used in important humanitarian efforts – and in fact it seems to have already helped hundreds of thousands."

U.N. Agenda 2030 calls for 'universal ID' for all people

This "universal ID," which grabs the biometric data of refugees, is just a starting point for the United Nations. **The goal is to eventually bring all people into the massive data bank. The proof is in the U.N.'s own documents.**

The U.N. Agenda 2030 document adopted by 193 of the world's heads of state, including President Obama, at the Sept. 25 U.N. conference on sustainability in New York, includes 17 goals and dozens of "targets."

Target 16.9 under the goal of "Peace, Justice and Strong Institutions" [reads as follows](#):

"By 2030, provide legal identity for all, including birth registration."

The World Bank is also throwing its weight behind the United Nations biometric project being conducted by Accenture.



THE WORLD BANK

In a [new report](#) issued in collaboration with Accenture, the World Bank is calling on governments to "work together to implement standardized, cost-effective identity management solutions," according to FindBiometrics.

A summary of the report states that about 1.8 billion adults around the world lack any kind of official identification. "That can exclude those individuals from access to essential services, and can also cause serious difficulties when it comes to trans-border identification," according to FindBiometrics.

"That problem is one that Accenture has been tackling in collaboration with the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, which has been issuing Accenture-developed biometric identity cards to populations of displaced persons in refugee camps in Thailand, South Sudan, and elsewhere.

The ID cards are important for helping to ensure that refugees can have access to services, and for keeping track of refugee populations."

Then comes the final admission by the World Bank that the new biometric IDs are not just for refugees.

"Moreover, the nature of the deployments has required an economically feasible solution, and has demonstrated that reliable, biometric ID cards can affordably be used on a large scale.

It offers hope for the UN's Sustainable Development Goal of getting legal ID into the hands of everyone in the world by the year 2030 with its Identification for Development (ID4D) initiative."

It is a serious problem for the authorities that many thousands of people are on their way on their own in the federal territory, Decker told Die Welt.



He said refugees might be registered multiple times as the registration is based on information given by the registrants, which almost always come without any papers.

"The same guy that is Muhammad Ali here in Eisenhüttenstadt can be Ali Mohammed a little bit later in Hamburg," Decker said.

"The states must live with that for the time being, because a proper registration at the border is currently not in sight."

Once the U.N.'s biometric labeling of all humanity is in place, this will no longer be a problem.

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Windows 10 To Automatically Download On Your PC

November 8 2015 | From: [WND](#)

Not interested in installing Windows 10 on your computer after reading news reports indicating Microsoft will [track your online behavior and save your search queries, private emails and contents of private folders, including photos?](#)



Too bad. You may not be given much of a choice. Microsoft's Windows 10 is preparing to automatically download onto computers currently installed with Windows 7 or 8 – without the computer users' knowledge, [London's Guardian reported](#).

Related: ['Incredibly Intrusive': Windows 10 Spies On You By Default](#)

According to the report, Microsoft announced that Windows 10 will become a "recommended update" in 2016, and anyone who has automatic updates activated will have the new program installed automatically on their PC.

After it has downloaded, the Windows 10 installer will begin. At that point, users will need to actively cancel Windows 10.

That is, if they aren't in the habit of just hitting "OK" when presented with a prompt, as many users often do.

In the meantime, until 2016, the Windows 10 upgrade will be considered "optional" and could still be downloaded if a user has the computer set to install automatic updates, which can be disabled.

"If you choose to upgrade (our recommendation!), then you will have 31 days to roll back to your previous version if you don't love it," said Terry Myerson, executive vice president of Microsoft's Windows and Devices group.

Just weeks ago, [Forbes reported](#) Microsoft claimed an "accident" caused the downloads to begin installing on many computers without user permission.

[As WND reported in August](#), a report from Newsweek warned: "From the moment an account is created, Microsoft begins watching. The company saves customers' basic information – name, contact details, passwords, demographic data and credit card specifics."

"But it also digs a bit deeper," the report says.

"Other information Microsoft saves includes Bing search queries and conversations with the new digital personal assistant Cortana; contents of private communications such as email; websites and apps visited (including features accessed and length of time used); and contents of private folders," the warning explains.

"Furthermore, 'your typed and handwritten words' are collected."

All of the warnings come from the company's software privacy statement, which includes the statement that Microsoft collects information "to provide you a personalized user dictionary, help you type and write on your device with better character recognition, and provide you with text suggestions as you type or write."

Alec Meer at the [RockPaperShotgun](#) blog warned it's not something that should be ignored.

"Unless you pay close attention to the fluffy options offered when you first install Microsoft's new operating system, it's going to quietly track your behavior and use it to fire targeted ads at you, as well as keeping tabs on your location history, data from messages, calendars, contacts and God knows what else."

The blog noted that "some of this stuff" can be turned off, but the key point is that people "aren't so hot" about paying for tools to access the Web and such, so "the money comes from harvesting data and flogging it to advertisers and other organizations who want to know exactly what we're all up to online."



He continued;

"If you ever wondered why they've made the Windows 10 upgrade free to Win 7 & 8 users, here's one possible answer. Windows 10 has all sorts of user tracking baked right in."

[The Daily Mail reported](#) another complication with the software last summer.

The update to Windows 10, the report said:

"Automatically made [a man's] porn collection into a slideshow and used it as a screensaver. And to make matters worse, the malfunction was discovered by his wife, who was greeted by the explicit images first thing in the morning."

The report said a user posted the story online so others would not repeat the mistake, which reportedly happened when the images were saved into the "My Pictures" folder. It is from that folder the software draws data to build slideshows, the report said.

"I have no idea how to shut that feature off and that computer is staying shut down until I do," the man wrote, according to the Mail. "Free Windows and a free trip to the doghouse. Thanks Microsoft!"

In August, Newsweek reported an estimated 14 million machines already were running Windows 10.

"The company says it uses the data collected for three purposes: to provide and improve its services; to send customers personalized promotions; and to display targeted advertising, which sometimes requires the information be shared with third parties."

The report said Microsoft's practices actually are similar to Google's, which analyzes the content of users' emails to provide a "more personalized product."



Online privacy group European Digital Rights told the Times that the MS policy not only was bad news for privacy.

"Your free speech rights can also be violated on an ad hoc basis," the group said.

Kirsten Fiedler, of EDR, told the Mail, *"Microsoft basically grants itself the right to collect and process everything you do, say and write on your device – which is contrary to the fundamental right to privacy."*

The [RockPaperShotgun](#) blog posted some instructions for opting out of the Microsoft data collection plan.

The actions won't, the blog said, reduce the ads seen.

"But they do mean that not quite so much information about you will be gathered and sold, and also that the ads you do see won't be 'relevant' to what algorithms have decided your interests are."

Related: [Windows 10 Spies On Almost Everything You Do, Unless You Opt Out](#)

Bombshell! Europe Drops Charges Against Edward Snowden, Offers Asylum And Protection

November 5 2015 | From: [ActivistPost](#)

This week, the European Parliament voted to offer Edward Snowden asylum and protection and drop all criminal charges against him.



When at one time most of the world was bullied by the US government into pressing charges against Snowden and forcing him into exile, the entire European continent has now officially given him a pass.

Related: [EU Parliament Votes To Drop Charges Against Snowden](#)

Thursday's 285 – 281 vote officially [recognized Snowden](#) as an "international human rights defender" and ensured that he would be free from arrest within European borders.



[The final resolution mentioned that](#) "too little has been done to safeguard citizens' fundamental rights following revelations of electronic mass surveillance."

Snowden is currently living in asylum in Russia and is wanted in the United States for charges under the federal Espionage Act, but Russia has declined to extradite him. He has been unable to leave due to the fear of being kidnapped by the US military when he left the country, but now it may be possible for him to travel to Europe.

Snowden posted on his Twitter page that this could be a good sign of a shift in attitude towards his cause. Earlier this year, it was reported that a federal appeals [court ruled](#) that the controversial NSA spy program which collects phone records is actually illegal.



Snowden [recently joined Twitter](#), making himself more visible and approachable to the general population than ever before.

Within a day of opening his first social media account since leaking information about the NSA spy program, Snowden gained over one million followers. However, there was only one account that he decided to follow, the NSA. The whistleblower's first tweet [read](#), "Can you hear me now?"

Edward Snowden's New Revelations Are Truly Chilling

October 10 2015 | From: [TrueActivist](#)

Former intelligence contractor and NSA whistleblower Edward Snowden told the BBC's Panorama that the UK intelligence centre GCHQ has the power to hack phones without their owners' knowledge



In an interview with the BBC's 'Panorama' which aired in Britain last night, Edward Snowden spoke in detail about the spying capabilities of the UK intelligence agency GCHQ.

He disclosed that government spies can **legally** hack into any citizen's phone to listen in to what's happening in the room, view files, messages and photos, pinpoint exactly where a person is (to a much more sophisticated level than a normal GPS system), and monitor a person's every move and every conversation, **even when the phone is turned off.**



These technologies are named after Smurfs, those little blue cartoon characters who had a recent Hollywood makeover. But despite the cute name, these technologies are very disturbing; each one is built to spy on you in a different way:

- ▶ **"Dreamy Smurf"**: lets the phone be powered on and off
- ▶ **"Nosey Smurf"**: lets spies turn the microphone on and listen in on users, even if the phone itself is turned off
- ▶ **"Tracker Smurf"**: a geo-location tool which allows [GCHQ] to follow you with a greater precision than you would get from the typical triangulation of cellphone towers.
- ▶ **"Paranoid Smurf"**: hides the fact that it has taken control of the phone. The tool will stop people from recognising that the phone has been tampered with if it is taken in for a service, for instance.

Snowden says: *"They want to own your phone instead of you."* It sounds very much like he means we are being purposefully encouraged to buy our own tracking devices. That kinda saved the government some money, didn't it?

His revelations should worry anyone who cares about human rights, especially in an era where the threat of terrorism is used to justify all sorts of governmental crimes against civil liberties. We have willingly given up our freedoms in the name of security; as a result we have [neither](#).



We seem to have forgotten that to live as a free person is a basic human right: we are essentially free beings. We are born naked and without certification; we do not belong to any government nor monarchy nor individual, we don't even belong to any nation or culture or religion- these are all social constructs.

We belong only to the universe that created us, or whatever your equivalent belief. It is therefore a natural human right *not* to be not be under secret surveillance by your own government, those corruptible liars who are supposedly elected by and therefore accountable to the people.

The danger for law-abiding citizens who say they have nothing to fear because they are not terrorists, beware: many

peaceful British protesters have been [arrested](#) under the Prevention Of Terrorism Act since its introduction in 2005.

Edward Snowden: 'Smartphones can be taken over' - BBC News



Edward [Snowden](#)'s disclosure confirms just how far the attack on civil liberties has gone since [9/11](#) and the London bombings. Both events have allowed governments the legal right to essentially wage war on their own people, through the Patriot Act in the USA and the Prevention Of Terrorism [Act](#) in the UK.

In Britain, as in the USA, [terrorism](#) and [activism](#) seem to have morphed into one entity, while nobody really knows who the real [terrorists](#) are any more. A sad but absolutely realistic fact of life in 2015: if you went to a peaceful protest at weekend and got detained, you're probably getting [hacked](#) right now.

It's one more reason to conclude that smartphones suck. And as much as we convince ourselves how cool they are, it's hard to deny their invention has resulted in a tendency for humans to behave like [zombies](#), encouraged child labor, made us more [lonely](#) than ever, turned some of us into [narcissistic selfie-addicts](#), and prevented us from [communicating](#) with those who really [matter](#) (the ones in the same room at the same time). Now, Snowden has given us yet another reason to believe that [smartphones](#) might be the dumbest thing we could have ever inflicted on ourselves.

Edward Snowden, Glenn Greenwald & David Miranda Call For Global Privacy Treaty

October 7 2015 | From: [DemocracyNow](#)

NSA whistleblower Edward Snowden, Pulitzer Prize-winning journalist Glenn Greenwald, Brazilian privacy activist David Miranda and others have launched a new campaign to establish global privacy standards.



The proposed International Treaty on the Right to Privacy, Protection Against Improper Surveillance and Protection of Whistleblowers would require states to ban mass data collection and implement public oversight of national security programs.

The treaty would also require states to offer asylum to whistleblowers. It is being dubbed the "Snowden Treaty." At a launch event last week, Edward Snowden spoke about the need for the treaty via teleconference from Russia.

"This is not a problem exclusive to the United States or the National Security Agency or the FBI or the Department of Justice or any agency of government anywhere. This is a global problem that affects all of us," Snowden said.

Watch the video statements or read the transcript at: [DemocracyNow](http://DemocracyNow.org)

'Incredibly Intrusive': Windows 10 Spies On You By Default

September 14 2015 | From: [RT](http://RT.com)

Microsoft's new Windows 10 operating system is immensely popular, with 14 million downloads in the first two days. The price of the free upgrade may just be your privacy, though, as changing Windows 10's intrusive default settings is difficult.



Technology journalists and bloggers are singing Windows 10's praises, often using the words such as "amazing," "glorious" and "fantastic." The operating system has been described as faster, smoother and more user-friendly than any previous version of Windows. According to Wired magazine, more than 14 million people have [downloaded](#) their upgrade since the system was released on Wednesday.

While the upgrade is currently free of charge to owners of licensed copies of Windows 8 and Windows 7, it does come at a price. Several tech bloggers have warned that the privacy settings in the operating system are invasive by default, and that changing them involves over a dozen different screens and an external website.

According to Zach Epstein of BGR News, all of Windows 10's features that could be considered invasions of privacy are enabled by default. Signing in with your Microsoft email account means Windows is reading your emails, contacts and

calendar data. The new Edge browser serves you personalized ads. Solitaire now comes with ads. Using Cortana – the voice-driven assistant that represents Redmond's answer to Apple's Siri – reportedly "plays fast and loose with your data."

"I am pretty surprised by the far-reaching data collection that Microsoft seems to want," web developer Jonathan Porta [wrote](#) on his blog. "I am even more surprised by the fact that the settings all default to incredibly intrusive. I am certain that most individuals will just accept the defaults and have no idea how much information they are giving away."

As examples, Porta cited Microsoft having access to contacts, calendar details, and "other associated input data" such as "typing and inking" by default. The operating system also wants access to user locations and location history, both of which could be provided not just to Microsoft, but to its "trusted partners."

"Who are the trusted partners? By whom are they trusted? I am certainly not the one doing any trusting right now," Porta wrote, describing the default privacy options as "vague and bordering on scary."

Alec Meer of the 'Rock, Paper, Shotgun' blog [pointed out](#) this passage in Microsoft's 12,000-word, 45-page terms of use agreement:

"We will access, disclose and preserve personal data, including your content (such as the content of your emails, other private communications or files in private folders), when we have a good faith belief that doing so is necessary to."

While most people are used to ads as the price of accessing free content, writes Meer, Microsoft is not making it clear enough that they are "gathering and storing vast amounts of data on your computing habits," not just browser data.

[Opting out](#) of all these default settings requires navigating 13 different screens and a separate website, the bloggers have found.



Meer was underwhelmed with Microsoft executives' claims of transparency and easily understandable terms of use.

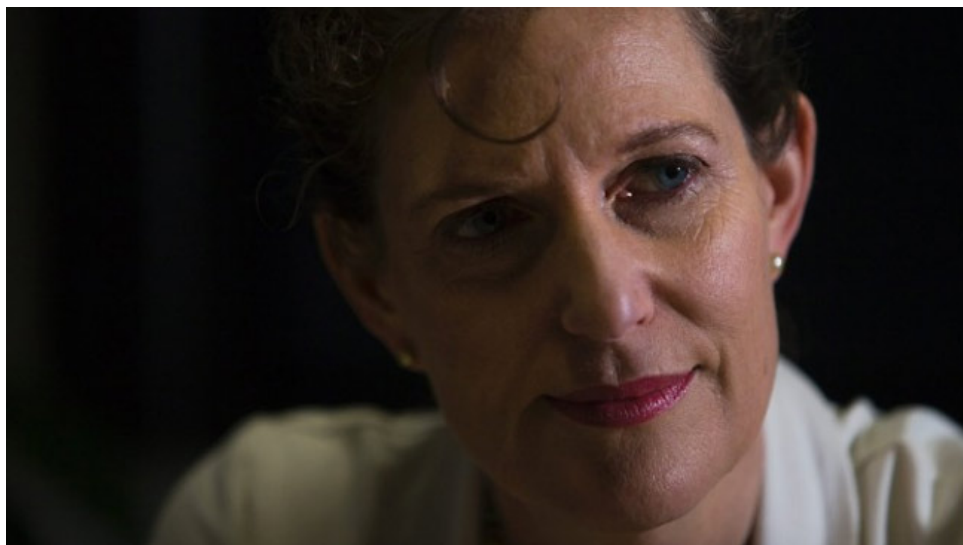
"There is no world in which 45 pages of policy documents and opt-out settings split across 13 different Settings screens and an external website constitutes 'real transparency,'"he wrote.

Tracking and harvesting user data has been a business model for many tech giants. Privacy advocates have raised concerns over Google's combing of emails, Apple's Siri, and Facebook's tracking cookies that keep monitoring people's browser activity in order to personalize advertising and content.

When The Nation's Permanent Interests Override Its Impermanent Politicians

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Submissions to the Independent Review of Intelligence and Security have closed. No doubt the "independent reviewers", Sir Michael Cullen and Dame Patsy Reddy, are already up to their elbows in the earnest recommendations of their fellow citizens. By March of next year we will learn what they have made of them.



SIS director Rebecca Kitteridge knows how difficult her job will become if her fellow citizens are unwilling to concede the legitimacy of the SIS's role.

In all probability, neither Cullen nor Reddy will end up recommending much more than a little tweaking here and there to New Zealand's national security apparatus. The terms of reference of their inquiry were extremely narrowly set – always an indication that nothing too dramatic is expected by the politicians who set the process in motion.

A few judicious redefinitions of the scope and powers of the Security Intelligence Service (SIS) and the Government Communications Security Bureau (GCSB) is the most we should anticipate. (Especially after the prime minister has strongly and publicly hinted that this is what his government is expecting!)



Indeed, any government attempting to make more than minor changes to either institution is asking for trouble. In 1977, the National prime minister, Robert Muldoon, ignited a firestorm of nationwide protests when he announced his intention to legislate a substantial increase in the powers of the SIS.

The New Zealand Security Intelligence Service Amendment Bill, which dramatically expanded the Service's capacity to intercept private communications, and forbade the public identification of its agents, was passed by Parliament, **but only at the cost of a significant portion of the citizenry's trust and goodwill.**

That New Zealand's so-called "*intelligence community*" is anxious to retain and build public trust and goodwill has been evident over the past fortnight in the substantive public relations campaign it has waged in advance of the independent review. SIS director Rebecca Kitteridge knows how difficult her job will become if her fellow citizens are unwilling to concede the legitimacy of the SIS's role.

But, if losing the trust and goodwill of New Zealand's citizens is a bad thing, losing the trust and confidence of New Zealand's allies would be much, much worse. This would, however, be the most likely outcome if the recommendations of those who made submissions to the Independent Review from the left were ever to be taken up and implemented by a future left-leaning government.

The submission from the Anti-Bases Campaign, for example (whose spokesperson is the redoubtable left-wing activist Murray Horton) has recommended to Cullen and Reddy that: "*New Zealand immediately exits the Five Eyes regime.*"



The reviewers will, of course, ignore this demand – if only because it falls outside the scope of their inquiry. But, what if a future Labour-Green government was persuaded to withdraw from the UKUSA Agreement to which New Zealand has been party for more than 60 years?

It is precisely in circumstances such as these that the true function of our national security apparatus would be demonstrated.

It was the United States secretary of state Henry Kissinger who infamously remarked of the democratically elected socialist government of Chile:

"I don't see why we need to stand by and watch a country go communist due to the irresponsibility of its own people. The issues are much too important for the Chilean voters to be left to decide for themselves."

On September 11, 1973, that government was overthrown by the Chilean armed forces.



On November 10, 1975, outraged that his government was under CIA surveillance, the Australian Labour prime minister Gough Whitlam let it be known that he would be closing down the joint CIA/National Security Agency's satellite tracking station at Pine Gap near Alice Springs in the Northern Territory.

The following day, Whitlam's government was dismissed by Sir John Kerr, the Australian governor-general. (The Pine Gap station was critical to the effectiveness of the "Five Eyes regime".)

In the eyes of both the Chilean armed forces, and Australia's national security apparatus, the permanent national interests of their respective states had been placed at serious risk by political figures who either did not understand, or were hostile to, those interests. In arriving at these conclusions, both institutions relied upon the intelligence and advice of their nation's principal military and economic ally, the United States.

Although neither Cullen or Reddy will admit it, *"national security"* is all about identifying which permanent national interests are best kept beyond the reach of democracy's impermanent practitioners.

Why Punish People For Speeding? Speed Advisories Would Be Fine

August 22 2015 | From: [InfoWars](#)

This is a contentious subject but the fact of the matter when you really look at it is that speeding fines are nothing more than revenue generation. This argument makes complete sense yet, people are so beaten down by the official line that they don't have a chance to ever get to consider logical points. There will NEVER be a zero road toll as long as we have road transport. If you get into a car, you put yourself at risk of a terminal road accident. End of story.



It has been established that highway patrol officers in New Zealand have ticketing quotas - they just will not admit it. Cha-ching \$\$\$

Why should anyone be subject to punishment merely for driving "x" speed? Is it not of a piece with punishing someone for merely consuming alcohol?

[Comment: This is a systemic problem and a systemic issue. The powers that be have put systems in place to weed out police applicants who have an IQ over a certain limit. They do not want free thinkers, they want a police force in place that will not question the authority of their superiors.]

The justification usually given is that "speeding" might cause harm.

The definition of POLICE: POLICY Enforcement officers: They - (most of them unknowingly) are NOT working to protect or serve - nor to provide safer communities together.

They are working to protect the policies of the state, and therefore [The Crown](#) (The City of London and ultimately The Vatican - the ancient and elite 'ruling class').

The "police" are the civilian arm of the enforcement of the attempted New World Order, here to keep the great unwashed subservient to the ruling elite and abiding by their 'laws'.

[Click on the link, look it up.](#) The evidence has been around for a very long time indeed.

Ok, sure. The same is true about drinking beer. Someone (generally) might drink beer and beat his wife. But we do not presume (for now) that everyone who drinks beer will beat his wife – and thus, drinking beer must be forbidden. And violators of this policy punished.

What about punishing (hold onto that thought) people when – and only if – they actually do cause harm? Not before – and not because they might. Or because "someone" else has.

It's a crazy idea, I realize. [This is the fundamental point of common law: If there is no damage to a person or property - there is no crime].

Imagine: You'd only have to sweat cops or face a judge if you (and not some other person you never even met) could plausibly be charged with having caused harm to an actual victim or damaged the actual property of someone else. Mark that. A flesh and blood victim would have to be presented.



And it would be the obligation of the courts to prove that harm was done to establish guilt before requiring restitution (much preferable to punishing people, which smacks of house training a puppy).

There would be an end to this business of people being put through the system who've harmed no one. Who are punished for manufactured offenses against the state.

Can the state be a victim? Is the Tooth Fairy real? It's absurd – and vicious.

Cops: 147 Tickets PER HOUR but No Time to Investigate Rapists



Do you feel guilty of wrongdoing when pulled over by a cop for not wearing a seatbelt? Who have you harmed? What justification – other than ***“it’s the law”*** – is there for punishing you?

How about driving faster than an arbitrary number plastered on a sign? You get pulled out from a crowd of others doing the same thing; none of you harming anyone or even plausibly threatening it. It’s merely your unlucky day. Your time to pay.

As the cop slides in behind you, does your internal monologue run along the lines of, *“well, yeah... I did a bad thing... I deserve this.”*

Or do you feel disgust, anger – and resentment? Of course. This has serious implications.

Laws without a moral basis are just arbitrary rules. They have no moral force – and that makes people subjected to them feel abused.

Which they have been. Meanwhile, it also makes it more difficult to deal with the relatively small number of people in society who actually do cause harm to others. If you doubt this, take a drive into a “bad” neighborhood; where are all the cops?

New Ford Will Make You Obey Speed Limit



They’re manning radar traps and safety checkpoints in the “nice” neighborhoods!

Remember the “Drive 55” idiocy that lasted from about 1974 to 1995? Overnight – and for the next 20 years – it became illegal “speeding” to drive 70 when the day before it had been legal to do that and – presumably (being legal) “safe.”

How does it become “unsafe” to drive 70 on the same road today that it was (apparently) “safe” to drive 70 on yesterday?

What was it Bob Dooole used to say? You know it, I know it, the American people know it.

Millions of people were simply ripped off – had their money stolen from them under color of law.

The contempt and corruption this bred is incalculable. It festers to this day. Because while “Drive 55” is history, the same rigmarole exists on secondary roads. **Every day, thousands of people are pulled over and literally robbed.**

Issued what amount to ransom notes – state-sanctioned extortion – for driving at reasonable and prudent velocities that happen to have been codified as illegal “speeding.” The fact that virtually every one “speeds” – this includes cops – is the clearest, most inarguable proof that the laws are absurd. And their enforcement a sort of low-rent sadism that also happens to be very profitable.

What’s the solution? Speed limits as such ought to be thrown in the woods. They are arbitrary, morally indefensible – and most of all, one-size-fits-all.



People are individuals and some people are better at certain things than others. This includes driving. Tony Stewart is a better driver than I am. But I am a much better driver than my mother-in-law. Why should Tony Stewart be dumbed-down to my level?

And why should I be dumbed-down to my mother-in-law's? Imposing arbitrary, one-size-fits-all limits on anyone for anything is by definition unfair.

Arbitrary man-made "speeding" laws based on a dumbed-down/least-common-denominator standard amount to ugly and stupid people punishing the good-looking and smart ones.

The people who support such laws support anticipatory and pre-emptive punishment. That is, laws that assume something bad will happen if "x" is not punished.

And which punish the "offender" as if something bad had actually happened.

Even if it never did.

Innocence of having caused harm is (currently) no defense. It's not necessary for the government to produce a victim. All that's necessary, legally speaking, is for the state to prove that "the law" was violated.

Comrade Stalin would approve. Cue the keening wail that, absent speed limits, people will drive excessively fast and lose control. Yet they do exactly that already – speed limits notwithstanding. Just as people still drive soused (and senile, too).

The difference between the harm-caused/actual victim approach – and the "it's the law" approach – is that the former only holds those who actually do lose control – for whatever reason – accountable. Everyone else is free to go about their business. To live as adults – rather than be treated as presumptively unintelligent children.

What a concept!



Speed advisories would be fine. For example a sign letting you know that there is a sharp curve ahead and maybe reducing speed would be good. Drivers unfamiliar with that road – and never having driven that curve before – may find this information helpful. But why should the local who is familiar with that road – and who drives that curve everyday – be subject to punishment for taking the curve at a higher speed?

Assuming, of course, that he does so competently, without causing harm to anyone in the process?

That was once the American Way. Not “do as you please” – the dishonest, demagogic bleat of Clovers. But rather, do as you please... so long as you don't cause harm to others.

The false choice offered by Clovers is total control in exchange for total safety – the “risk free” world. But this is a quixotic quest that can never end, because risk cannot be removed from this life. We all get sick – and die eventually. Entropy happens.

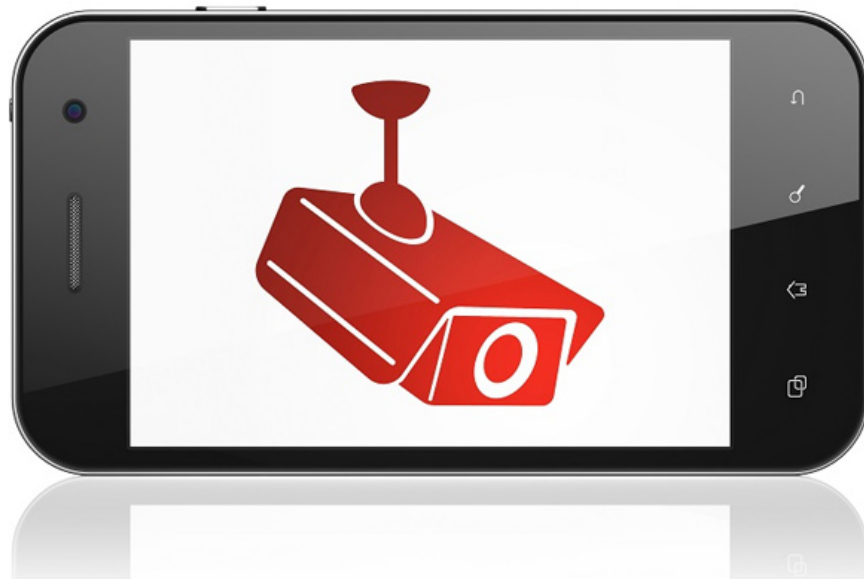
What can be excised, however, is the risk to our liberties, our peace of mind, our enjoyment of life – presented by random and arbitrary interferences and punishments based not on what we've done, but on what “someone” might do.

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United States, New Zealand, Canadian, United Kingdom & Australian Governments Hacked Smartphones, Planted Spyware In Google Phone Apps

June 2 2015 | From: TruthInMedia

A new document from whistleblower Edward Snowden reveals that the United States, Canada, and other so-called “Five Eyes” nations hacked weaknesses in one of the world's most popular mobile browsers to access smartphone traffic. The hacking involved using apps in the Google and Samsung app stores.



Consistent with much of the Snowden revelations, the “mainstream” media has largely ignored the story.

According to the “Top Secret” document, the spying agencies of Canada, the U.S., Britain, Australia and New Zealand started targeting the UC Browser in 2011 after it was discovered that a leak released details of millions of users. UC Browser is the most popular app in China and India.

The agencies stated goal was to exploit the weakness to collect data on suspected terrorists or intelligence targets. Some cases apparently involved implanting spyware on targeted smartphones.

The Five Eyes nations were looking to exploit similar leaks in other mobile apps. CBC reports that the document shows the surveillance agencies did not alert the companies or the public about weaknesses.

The latest document release from Snowden was reported by The Intercept and Canada's CBC.

Canada's Communications Security Establishment surveillance agency refused to comment on the CBC report, while the British GCHQ stated that all surveillance programs are “*carried out in accordance with a strict legal and policy framework.*”

The U.S. National Security Agency and New Zealand surveillance agency did not respond to CBC News. Australia's signals intelligence agency refused to comment.

Not everyone believes the government's claims of accountability and promises that the program was only used in search of terrorists. Michael Geist, a professor at University of Ottawa and an expert on internet law, told the CBC:

“All of this is being done in the name of providing safety and yet ... Canadians or people around the world are put at risk.”

The documents also reveal that the Five Eyes agreed not to spy on each others' citizens and instead focused their attention on apps stores in France, Switzerland, the Netherlands, Cuba, Morocco, the Bahamas and Russia.

Every Man, Woman And Child: Why NSA surveillance Is Worse Than You've Ever Imagined

May 26 2015 | From: [Sott](#)

Last summer, after months of encrypted emails, I spent three days in Moscow hanging out with Edward Snowden for a *Wired* cover story. Over pepperoni pizza, he told me that what finally drove him to leave his country and become a whistleblower was his conviction that the National Security Agency was conducting illegal surveillance [on every American](#) [and everyone in every other country covered by the Five Eyes network]. Thursday, the Second Circuit Court of Appeals in New York agreed with him.



In a long-awaited opinion, the three-judge panel ruled that the NSA program that secretly intercepts the telephone metadata of every American — who calls whom and when — [was illegal](#). As a plaintiff with Christopher Hitchens and several others in the original ACLU lawsuit against the NSA, dismissed by another appeals court on a technicality, I had a great deal of personal satisfaction.

Comment: Interesting to note that Establishment-media outlet Reuters published this article.

Also, [John Key is either blatantly lying about this](#) - either that or he is so misinformed he is too incompetent to hold office as Prime Minister of New Zealand

It's now up to Congress to vote on whether or not to modify the law and continue the program, or let it die once and for all. Lawmakers [must vote on this matter](#) by June 1, when they need to reauthorize the Patriot Act.

Comment: Even if lawmakers actually vote to modify what the NSA is doing - which they most likely won't because they are likely already blackmailed or want to appear "strong" on issues of "national security" - the NSA is, with few exceptions, super-secretive and practically an entity unto itself; it would never allow its goals of profit and totalitarian awareness be curtailed.

It is a behemoth bureaucracy of malevolent intent that serves no one but the few within the 1% who are the real movers and shakers on the planet. And few of those interested parties have anything in common with normal and healthy-minded humans.

A key factor in that decision is the American public's attitude toward surveillance. [Snowden's revelations have clearly made a change](#) in that attitude. In a PEW 2006 survey, for example, after the *New York Times*' James Risen and Eric Lichtblau [revealed the agency's warrantless eavesdropping activities](#), 51 percent of the public still viewed the NSA's surveillance programs as acceptable, while 47 percent found them unacceptable.

After Snowden's revelations, those numbers reversed. A PEW survey in March revealed that 52 percent of the public is now concerned about government surveillance, while 46 percent is not.

Given the vast amount of revelations about NSA abuses, it is somewhat surprising that just slightly more than a majority of Americans seem concerned about government surveillance. Which leads to the question of why? Is there any kind of revelation that might push the poll numbers heavily against the NSA's spying programs? Has security fully trumped privacy as far as the American public is concerned? Or is there some program that would spark genuine public outrage?

Few people, for example, are aware that a NSA program known as TREASUREMAP is being developed to continuously map every Internet connection — cellphones, laptops, tablets — of everyone on the planet.

"Map the entire Internet," says the top secret NSA slide. "Any device, anywhere, all the time." It adds that the program will allow "Computer Attack/Exploit Planning" as well as "Network Reconnaissance."

One reason for the public's lukewarm concern is what might be called NSA fatigue. There is now a sort of acceptance of highly intrusive surveillance as the new normal, the result of a bombardment of news stories on the topic.

I asked Snowden about this;

"It does become the problem of one death is a tragedy and a million is a statistic," he replied,

"where today we have the violation of one person's rights is a tragedy and the violation of a million is a statistic.

The NSA is violating the rights of every American citizen every day on a comprehensive and ongoing basis. And that can numb us. That can leave us feeling disempowered, disenfranchised."

In the same way, at the start of a war, the numbers of Americans killed are front-page stories, no matter how small. But two years into the conflict, the numbers, even if far greater, are usually buried deep inside a paper or far down a news site's home page.



In addition, stories about NSA surveillance face the added burden of being technically complex, involving eye-glazing descriptions of sophisticated interception techniques and analytical capabilities. Though they may affect virtually every American, such as the telephone metadata program, because of the enormous secrecy involved, it is difficult to identify specific victims.

The way the surveillance story appeared also decreased its potential impact. Those given custody of the documents decided to spread the wealth for a more democratic assessment of the revelations. They distributed them through a wide variety of media — from start-up Web publications to leading foreign newspapers.

One document from the NSA director, for example, indicates that the agency was spying on visits to porn sites by people, making no distinction between foreigners and "U.S. persons," U.S. citizens or permanent residents. He then recommended using that information to secretly discredit them, whom he labeled as "radicalizers."

But because this was revealed by The Huffington Post, an online publication viewed as progressive, and was never reported by mainstream papers such as the *New York Times* or the *Washington Post*, the revelation never received the attention it deserved.

Comment: Nazis used the word "undesirables".

Another major revelation, a top-secret NSA map showing that the agency had planted malware — computer viruses — in more than 50,000 locations around the world, including many friendly countries such as Brazil, was reported in a relatively small Dutch newspaper, *NRC Handelsblad*, and likely never seen by much of the American public.

Comment: That's a new one on this reader, but somehow not surprising. The question is *why*, however. Why view so many others - even friends - as "the enemy". And what other bag of dirty tricks is the NSA up to that we have no clue of?

Thus, despite the volume of revelations, much of the public remains largely unaware of the true extent of the NSA's vast, highly aggressive and legally questionable surveillance activities. With only a slim majority of Americans expressing concern, the chances of truly reforming the system become greatly decreased.

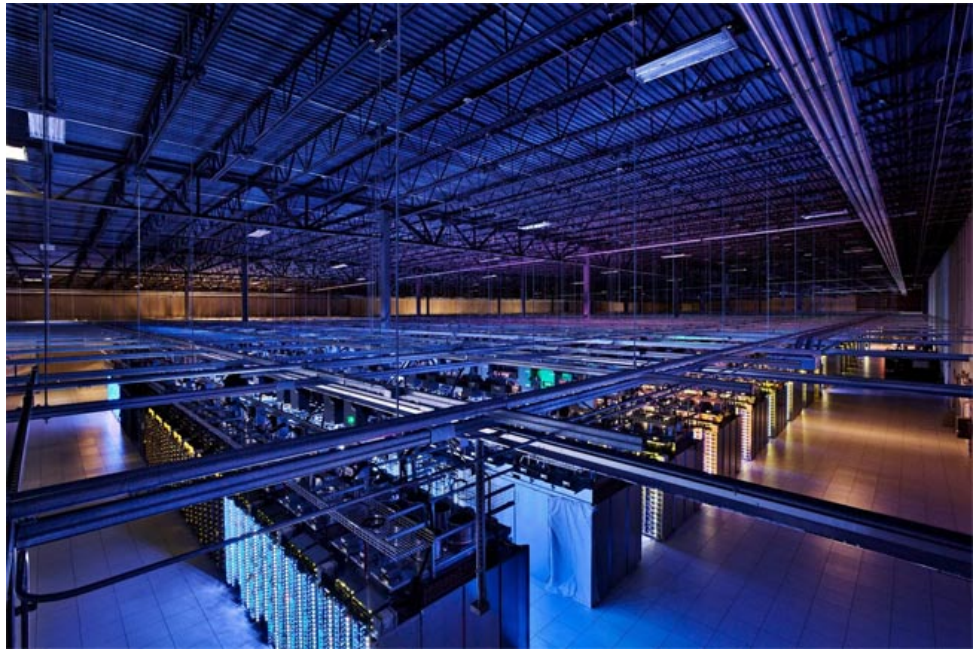
While the metadata program has become widely known because of the numerous court cases and litigation surrounding it, there are other NSA surveillance programs that may have far greater impact on Americans, but have attracted far less public attention.

In my interview with Snowden, for example, he said one of his most shocking discoveries was the NSA's policy of secretly and routinely passing to Israel's Unit 8200 — that country's NSA — and possibly other countries not just metadata but the actual contents of emails involving Americans.

This even included the names of U.S. citizens, some of whom were likely Palestinian-Americans communicating with relatives in Israel and Palestine.

An illustration of the dangers posed by such an operation comes from the sudden resignation last year of 43 veterans of Unit 8200, many of whom are still serving in the military reserves. The veterans accused the organization of using intercepted communication against innocent Palestinians for "political persecution."

This included information gathered from the emails about Palestinians' sexual orientations, infidelities, money problems, family medical conditions and other private matters to coerce people into becoming collaborators or to create divisions in their society.



Another issue few Americans are aware of is the NSA's secret email metadata collection program that took place for a decade or so until it ended several years ago. Every time an American sent or received an email, a record was secretly kept by the NSA, just as the agency continues to do with the telephone metadata program.

Though the email program ended, all that private information is still stored at the NSA, with no end in sight.

With NSA fatigue setting in, and the American public unaware of many of the agency's long list of abuses, it is little wonder that only slightly more than half the public is concerned about losing their privacy.

For that reason, I agree with Frederick A. O. Schwartz Jr., the former chief counsel of the Church Committee, which conducted a yearlong probe into intelligence abuses in the mid-1970s, that we need a similarly thorough, hard-hitting investigation today.

"Now it is time for a new committee to examine our secret government closely again," he wrote in a recent Nation magazine article, "particularly for its actions in the post-9/11 period."

Until the public fully grasps and understands how far over the line the NSA has gone in the past — legally, morally and ethically — there should be no renewal or continuation of NSA's telephone metadata program in the future.

James Bamford writes frequently on intelligence and is the author of three books about the National Security Agency, most recently, "The Shadow Factory: The Ultra-Secret NSA from 9/11 to the Eavesdropping on America."

Chief Constable Simon Bailey, chair of Operation Hydrant, said that referrals to new suspects "are increasing on an almost daily basis." "The numbers I refer to today are a snapshot in time," he added.

So far Operation Hydrant, which was created by National Police Chief's Council (NPCC), is investigating a number of alleged abuse inquiries, but is not specifically leading a particular investigation.

Comment: The NSA is a technocratic beast; a runaway train with a gaping maw that would seek to label every man, woman and child on the planet as either a threat or a sheep to the very apparatus it seeks to serve. Its power and intent are largely unknown and unimaginable to most because information about it, until only the last few years, has been scarce. It also didn't have the name recognition of the CIA though it is several times larger! And is the stuff of dystopian science fiction novels.

Though presented with a decidedly fundamentalist Christian point of view, the book [Project L. U. C. I. D.: The Beast 666 Universal Human Control System](#) by Texe Marrs is well researched and points to what the NSA has been doing for quite a while now. It is all the more interesting since the book was written nearly twenty years ago, and well marks the NSA's development and the growing fruition of its true purpose.

Watchdog Starts Second Spy Probe / Spy Review Hobbled Before It Begins

May 21 2015 | From: [NewZealandHerald](#) / [DominionPost](#)

Herald story triggers look at agency's role in minister's bid for top world trade job + Is it a whitewash from the outset?



A new inquiry into NZ's electronic surveillance service is being started as the country's intelligence watchdog tries to find out if it makes good decisions about who to spy on, and how it stays politically neutral.

The Inspector-General of Intelligence and Security, Cheryl Gwyn, linked the inquiry to claims the Government Communications Security Bureau (GCSB) spied on foreign diplomats competing against Trade Minister Tim Groser to lead the World Trade Organisation.



Inspector-General of Intelligence and Security Cheryl Gwyn

But she said it was unlikely she would be able to probe the allegations. Instead, she said, the inquiry would study the way the GCSB chose its targets, what its decision-making process was and how it stuck to its duty to be neutral in cases where there might be political advantage.

The Groser claims were among a string of stories broken by the Herald in a collaborative reporting project with investigative journalist [Nicky Hager](#) and [The Intercept](#), the US news site with access to the trove of secret documents obtained by intelligence whistleblower Edward Snowden.



Tim Groser

It is the second inquiry to be started after the Herald published stories based on top-secret GCSB and National Security Agency documents. The first inquiry was into New Zealand spying in the Pacific.

Ms Gwyn said the new inquiry was instigated by her office;

"I consider the issues raised about the process followed when the GCSB considers undertaking particular intelligence activity are of sufficient public importance to warrant an own-motion inquiry.

"While it is unlikely I will be able to publicly confirm or deny the specific allegations relating to this process, I can inquire more generally into how the GCSB determines, within its statutory constraints, what intelligence activity to undertake and what policies and procedures are in place to regulate its activities."

- ▷ Ms Gwyn said the inquiry would study how the GCSB established whether a proposed spying job fitted its legal role and New Zealand's needs.
- ▷ It would also look at the GCSB analysis of benefits and risks, and how it handled situations in which there could be perceptions of political advantage.
- ▷ It would also consider how the GCSB kept its minister informed in situations where there was a "potentially contested assessment" of the justification for the spying.
- ▷ The Herald reported that the GCSB set up search filters to extract online references to those competing from other countries for the WTO job.
- ▷ Criticism was voiced after the story appeared over how this served New Zealand's interests as the WTO job is meant to be administrative and neutral.

Editorial: Spy Review Hobbled Before It Begins?

The new committee carrying out a wide-ranging review of intelligence oversight is not equipped for the task.



Sir Michael Cullen is part of the committee carrying out a review of intelligence oversight

Sir Michael Cullen served while an MP on the Intelligence and Security committee, a toothless watchdog which meets for only a few hours a year and has no power to hold the spies or their political masters to account.

This committee is a constitutional monstrosity: it meets **at the pleasure of the prime minister** and he controls it. It is not a select committee that can test the executive.

Cullen showed no inclination to question the role of the committee. **He was, it seems, perfectly happy to serve on a hollow and useless institution.**

The Labour Party, in fact, **[also]** has in general been uninterested in reform of the spy services and their oversight.

The appointment of Dame Patsy Reddy as the other inquirer is even stranger. Reddy is a lawyer and businesswoman who serves on many boards. She has no experience in the field of intelligence. She might, perhaps, have been a useful lay member of a larger inquiry.

She certainly does not have the firepower to be one of only two investigators.



Dame Patsy Reddy, DNZM with the Governor-General of New Zealand, Lt Gen The Rt Hon Sir Jerry Mateparae

Intelligence pundit Paul Buchanan says the committee needs truly independent members, preferably from overseas, and far more than two.

He is right. This matters a great deal, because there have been successive scandals in the spy services and the public is in desperate need of reassurance about the democratic accountability of those services. They won't get it from this committee.

It is true that the Inspector-General of Security, Cheryl Gwyn, has shown a genuine independence in her inquiries. Her investigation of the spies' role in the Phil Goff affair was truly damning.

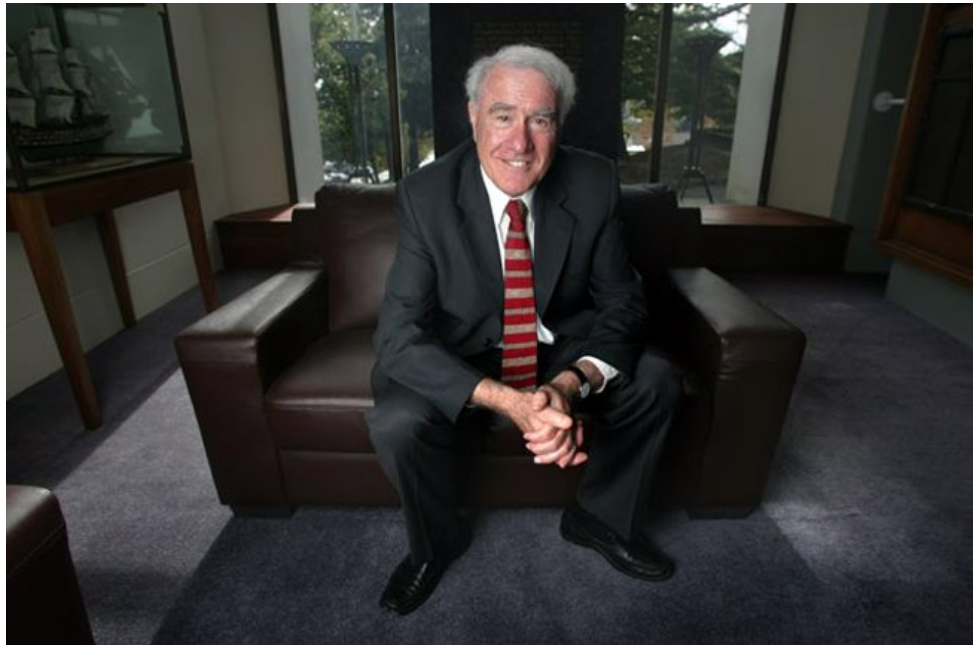


Phil Goff

She has also rightly launched an inquiry into the scandalous revelation that the GCSB spied on the overseas rivals of Trade Minister Tim Groser in his failed bid to head the World Trade Organisation.

But the inspector can't do an independent investigation of the role of the politicians who appointed her and whom she serves. For that, another agency is needed.

The best approach, as former prime minister Geoffrey Palmer has argued, is to set up a parliamentary select committee, similar to the congressional oversight committees in the United States.



Former New Zealand Prime Minister Geoffrey Palmer

For too long the spies have used the mystery of their profession to avoid proper democratic oversight. The various abuses uncovered by Edward Snowden should have shattered this mystique forever. The spies have enormous powers and their oversight has been lamentable.



Edward Snowden

Prime Minister John Key has dismissed Snowden's revelations as "just wrong".

All the evidence suggests that Snowden is right.

But Key's response in these matters is typically mere bluster, and so is Chris Finlayson's.



Chris Finlayson

The Minister in charge of the SIS and the GCSB responded to questions on radio in his usual waspish and unpleasant way.

Clearly Key and Finlayson won't hold the spies to account.

So somebody else needs to do it.

Zuckerberg's Internet.org Will Control What Billions Do Online

May 17 2015 | From: [NoFakeInternet](#)

We all deserve access to the *real* open Internet. Stand with people around the world demanding Zuckerberg stops restricting access to the open Internet.



People in countries like India, Zimbabwe, Brazil, and Paraguay are speaking out about Facebook's so-called Internet.org platform and its ability to control what billions of Internet users can do online. Zuckerberg's partnership with telecom giants, Internet.org, provides access to a fake Internet where selected services are prioritized over others. This scheme threatens innovation, free expression, and privacy online.

The *fake* Internet will also restrict access to local service providers struggling to get a foothold online.

We all now know Zuckerberg's Internet.org platform is not the real Internet. Not even close. Internet users around the world would rather he use his influence for good and promote access to the real open Internet, not just his fake imitation.

But their goal is control. They want to decide what you see, all while exposing you to massive security holes and vulnerabilities. Internet.org is a reckless violation of net neutrality.

What's worse: Zuckerberg's closed Internet platform failed to consult impacted users and fundamentally undermines longstanding efforts to create affordable access to the open Internet.

Everyday users, Internet freedom groups, and prominent websites around the world oppose these types of schemes to restrict access to independent web services.

As Matias Insaurralde from Paraguay puts it: "Giving access to just a few sites in a country that historically had bad connectivity and very high costs sounds like a bad joke."

And we know Facebook is also already moving to take control of existing users' web surfing.

Now it's up to Internet users everywhere to make sure that the net remains free and open for us and the next wave of users.

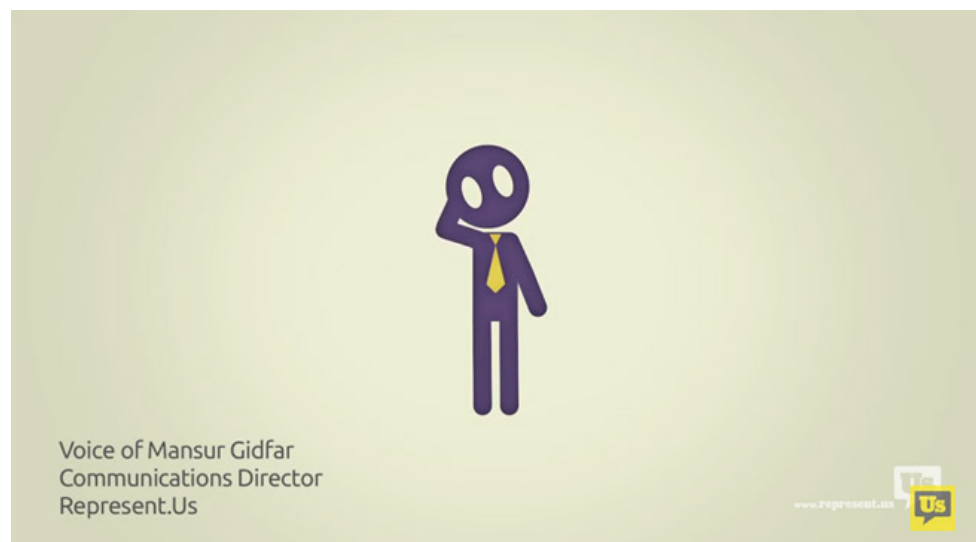
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Have You Ever Felt Like The Government Doesn't Really Care What You Think?

May 12 2015 | From: [RepresentUs](#)

Professors Martin Gilens (Princeton University) and Benjamin I. Page (Northwestern University) looked at more than 20 years worth of data to answer a simple question: Does the government represent the people?



Their study [which took place in the US but which is equally applicable to all other western countries] took data from nearly 2000 public opinion surveys and compared it to the policies that ended up becoming law.

In other words, they compared what the public wanted to what the government actually did. What they found was extremely unsettling: The opinions of 90% of Americans has essentially no impact at all.

This video gives a quick rundown of their findings — it all boils down to one simple graph:

Corruption is Legal in America



Read more at: [RepresentUs](#)

Military Electronic Warfare Expert Warns Of Covert Genocide

May 10 2015 | From: [ChemtrailsPlanet](#)

Since the 1950s, Soviet/Russian and U.S. Militaries have been researching electromagnetic frequencies to determine which are the most harmful to humans



The statement coincided with a visit from the UN's top climate negotiator.

Maurice Newman, chairman of Prime Minister Tony Abbott's business advisory council, **said the UN is using false models which show sustained temperature increases because it wants to end democracy and impose authoritarian rule.**

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Parliamentary Health Committee (HESA) 2015
Ottawa, ON. Canada

Dear Committee Members,

Safety Code 6 plus Corruption = An Emerging Genocide!

Distinguished international scientists and leading health researchers in the recondite science of non-ionizing radiation know that the most dangerous threat to human health – **EVER** – is the ongoing, unchecked proliferation of wireless radio devices, such as Smart Meters, baby monitors, cell phones, cell phone towers, cordless phones, Wi-Fi routers, Wi-Fi and WiMAX installations (which can blanket entire major cities!), GPS, Bluetooth, tablet and laptop computers, Interactive TV games, RFIDs, etc., all of which emit toxic *"low-level, pulsed, non-thermal radio frequency (RF) radiation"*!

For clarity, "microwaves" are electromagnetic waves with frequencies between 300 MHz (0.3 GHz) and 300 GHz in the RF spectrum, which spans from 3 kHz to 300 GHz.

I am a retired Canadian Armed Forces captain who spent 22 of my 26 years in the military in the arcane fields of Electronic Warfare (EW) and Signals Intelligence (SIGINT).

At the zenith of my career, I was the Executive Officer and Operations Officer at one of Canada's largest and most sensitive intelligence-gathering stations, where for two years I personally directed some 200-plus specially-trained radio operators and technicians. Subsequently, I was posted into National Defense Headquarters (NDHQ), Ottawa, into the Directorate of Electronic Warfare (DEW).

In this two-year period, I worked closely with U.S., Canadian and NATO army E.W. units, completed a lengthy NATO army EW officers' course in Anzio, Italy and participated in a major NATO army EW field exercise in the Black Forest of Germany.

Earlier in my career, I conducted EW aboard two Canadian warships in exercises with Canadian, U.S. and other international naval allies. My bread and butter for more than 22 years was the radio frequency (RF) spectrum.

Military History

All governments need to realize that, since at least the 1950s, Soviet/Russian and U.S. Militaries have each spent vast sums of money painstakingly studying and cataloguing all RF frequencies to determine which are the most harmful to humans!

The Soviets irradiated the U.S. Embassy in Moscow for 23 years (1953-1976) for just 6-8 hours a day, five days a week, using similar frequencies, similar modulations, and even less power than are used in today's Smart Meters, baby monitors, cell phones, etc.!

Even though the Embassy was irradiated for what amounted to just 25% of the time, three U.S. ambassadors died: two from cancer, one from Leukemia-like symptoms; 16 women developed breast cancer, and most other staff suffered illnesses of some sort.

The U.S. military responded by launching its Project Pandora (1954-1971), from which they too learned which specific frequencies, with which modulations, at what power densities had the most devastating effects on humans – which included: cancers, heart attacks, hysteria, trauma, suicides, etc.

Governments need to realize that all modern militaries now possess ever-expanding arsenals of EW weapons, which use precisely the same RF frequencies that inexcusably ignorant Industry Canada today permits wireless and telecom companies, and now utilities, to utilize in their wireless products (see below)! Militaries have long known that:

- Microwaves are the "perfect" weapon, for one cannot hear, see, smell, taste or feel them, plus they leave no trace of evidence!
- Frequencies within the band 900 MHz (or 0.9 GHz) to 5 GHz are the most lethal against humans because they penetrate more deeply all organ systems of the body and therefore put all human organs at risk!
(Yet Industry Canada has authorized baby monitors, Smart Meters and all of today's other wireless devices to operate in this very band of frequencies!)
- 'Pulsed' radiation is more harmful to humans than is "continuous wave" radiation.
(Yet Industry Canada permits today's wireless products to emit pulsed radiation!)
- The harmful effects of EMR (electromagnetic radiation) are cumulative; they add up!
- Certain frequencies are unique in that the weakest levels of radiation, for reasons unknown, cause more harm to humans than does more powerful radiation.
- Soviet/Russian scientists produced thousands of studies, which were offered to the West, showing that non-thermal radiation (the kind emitted by today's wireless products) is harmful to all life forms. Both the corrupt WHO (World Health Organization) and ICNIRP (International Commission on Non-Ionizing Radiation Protection) – who study only thermal radiation – refused the offer, thus denying Western scientists the opportunity to learn about non-thermal radiation from the Soviet/Russian studies!
- http://www.weepinitiative.org/LINKEDDOCS/scientific/20080117_bevington_emfs.pdf
- <http://www.emfacts.com/2012/08/rncnirp-to-issue-report-on-russian-rf-research/>

Non-Military Science

Distinguished scientists and leading health researchers around the globe know that:

- There is no such thing as a 'safe' *threshold* of radiation; the only 'safe' *level* is zero!
- The *non-thermal RF radiation* (also called EMR) emitted by all wireless devices is *cumulative*; it all combines and blends together, like an ever-thickening fog!
- Non-thermal EMR causes, promotes or is linked to the exponential rise in all of today's major illnesses, including all cancers, ADHD, asthma, Multiple Sclerosis, leukemia, Alzheimer's, dementia, Autism, ADD, Parkinson's, ALS, etc. *(Yet Health Canada refuses to admit this!)*
- Cancers and other major diseases have a latency period of 10-15 years or more!
- Cell phones have never been tested for 'safety' in any jurisdiction to prove they can be used by and/or around people on a continuous 24/7/365 basis, in perpetuity!
- In 1984, the U.S. FDA (Food and Drug Administration) exempted cell phones from having to undergo mandatory 'pre-market' testing because industry convinced them that cell phone radiation was too weak to be of concern. This opened the flood-gates for today's constellation of wireless devices, including Smart Meters, all of which use the same technology on similar frequencies!
- Not one peer-reviewed scientific study exists – anywhere – showing that cell phones are safe!
- The U.S. Cell phone industry's own six-year study (\$28.5-million USD, in '93-'99) showed they are not safe!
- All cell phone Owner Manuals contain, in very fine print, warnings for the user not to hold the phone closer than, in the case of Blackberry – 0.98"; Apple – 5/8"; Motorola – 1" from any part of the body – not just the head!
- Since 2001 Motorola, Nokia, Siemens and other cell phone companies have taken out global patents that

acknowledge cell phone radiation can lead to cancers!

- Wireless and cell phone companies, and electric utilities cannot get insurance against health-related claims attributed to wireless radiation!
- In 2010, CTIA's (Cellular Telecommunications Internet Association)'s own Sr. VP External and State Affairs told a public audience in California: "I have not told you once, not once, that cell phones are safe; The FCC is telling you they are safe!" (CTIA is the industry's association that lobbies all levels of government across the U.S. on behalf of its members)

It is absolutely frightening to realize how completely inept and negligent the Government of Canada has been since the 1980s in fulfilling its duty to protect the public from the toxic *non-thermal EMR* emitted by wireless radio devices!

Aside from Health Canada – who are notoriously corrupt, dating back to the 1970s – not one competent senior health authority exists – either in Ottawa or in any of the provinces – who has any meaningful knowledge of or expertise in this form of radiation – which is literally everywhere today!

This means that: **No** provincial Minister of Health; **No** provincial senior public health officer (PHO); **No** national Chief PHO; **No** member of Canada's "Pan-Canadian Public Health Network"; **Nor**, I suspect, any senior member of the Canadian Medical Association (CMA) is capable of protecting the Canadian public, because they are all ignorant of non-thermal EMR – which Health Canada steadfastly insists does not harm people! Shocking! Disgraceful! Absolutely criminal!

It is impossible to exaggerate the unprecedented danger all Canadians find themselves in today (as is the case for most people in the world), which could not possibly have happened had this admittedly recondite subject matter (non-ionizing radiation) been taught to aspiring medical doctors in medical schools; been recognized or understood by the CMA; or had our series of national Chief PHOs been selected more carefully.

With no one to provide oversight, Health Canada continues to be able to do much as it pleases. One has only to Google: "*Michael Repacholi, World Health Organization, Corruption*," to gain a glimpse of the corruption just one scientist brought, not only to Health Canada, but to ICNIRP and then to the WHO itself! Another glimpse can be had by Googling: "*Health Canada, Conflict of Interest, Sharon Noble*."

All governments in Canada and the public need to also note that, with no competent health authority to question or challenge its decisions, Health Canada has been free to promulgate a 'one size fits all' radiation Exposure Limit in Safety Code 6, which applies to all Canadians – regardless of size or the state of one's health!

It makes no distinction between tiny developing embryos, pregnant women, newborn babies, children, normal-sized adults, huge men and women, the sick and elderly! Yet scientists have known for years that a baby's skull absorbs at least five (5) times as much radiation as does an adult's!

All levels of government, all health care authorities across Canada, and the CMA itself need to wake up and realize that both Health Canada and Industry Canada are – and have been for decades – deeply embedded with what has become a corrupt cartel of the four radiation Regulatory Agencies: WHO, ICNIRP, IEEE (Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers) and the FCC (Federal Communications Commission).

All share similar egregiously high radiation Exposure Limits – which are amongst the highest/most dangerous in the world! All have strong ties to the electricity industry! http://www.next-up.org/pdf/who_conflict.pdf

Neither Health Canada nor any of its corrupt cartel colleagues will recognize (admit) that:

- Non-thermal EMR can be harmful to humans and all life forms!
(Their collective position is: "If the radiation does not heat the skin, it cannot be harmful!")
- Powerline (60 Hz) electric and magnetic fields (EMFs) are harmful to people!
(Scientists say that a safe ambient level of EMFs in a home would be not more than 1 mG (milliGauss))! They've known for decades that an ambient level of just 3-4 mG causes Leukemia in children! Russia allows up to 1.5 mG; Sweden, up to 2.5 mG!
Note: Contrast the above with all members of the 'Western cartel; who are tied to the electricity industry: Health Canada – says EMFs have not been proven harmful, and therefore it allows EMFs up to 1,000 mG! IEEE – allows up to 10,000 mG! ICNIRP and WHO – both allow 2,000 mG for short term exposure in residences, and up to 9,000 mG for short term occupational exposure! http://www.next-up.org/pdf/who_conflict.pdf
- EHS is a legitimate impairment or disability people experience when constantly exposed to EMR and/or EMFs! (Discovered by German scientists in 1932, the WHO finally recognized EHS in 2005, as have many countries of the world. It is known that Nikola Tesla was EHS!)

http://www.weepinitiative.org/LINKEDDOCS/scientific/20080117_bevington_emfs.pdf

Governments must no longer ignore what the Soviet/Russian and U.S. Militaries learned from their seven-decades-long exhaustive research:

- a) microwaves are the perfect military weapon;
- b) low-level, pulsed, non-thermal radiation – at even the weakest levels – is harmful to all living things; and,
- c) the most lethal frequencies within the entire RF band are between 900 MHz to 5 GHz – and are particularly lethal to a human's central nervous system and immune system.

Any EMR emitted on microwave frequencies is a potential weapon – not a consumer product!

That Industry Canada could see fit to permit today's wireless radio devices, such as Smart Meters, baby monitors, cell phones, etc., to utilize the above-mentioned band of lethal frequencies speaks volumes for their gross ignorance of what militaries have long known.

There exist today literally thousands of studies done by honest scientists from around the world showing that **any** wireless radio device is harmful to people, flora and fauna! The evidence is simply too compelling. In all decency, it must no longer be ignored!

In closing, I have evidence to support everything I have said above. My earnest hope is that each of you is now better able to understand today's reality.

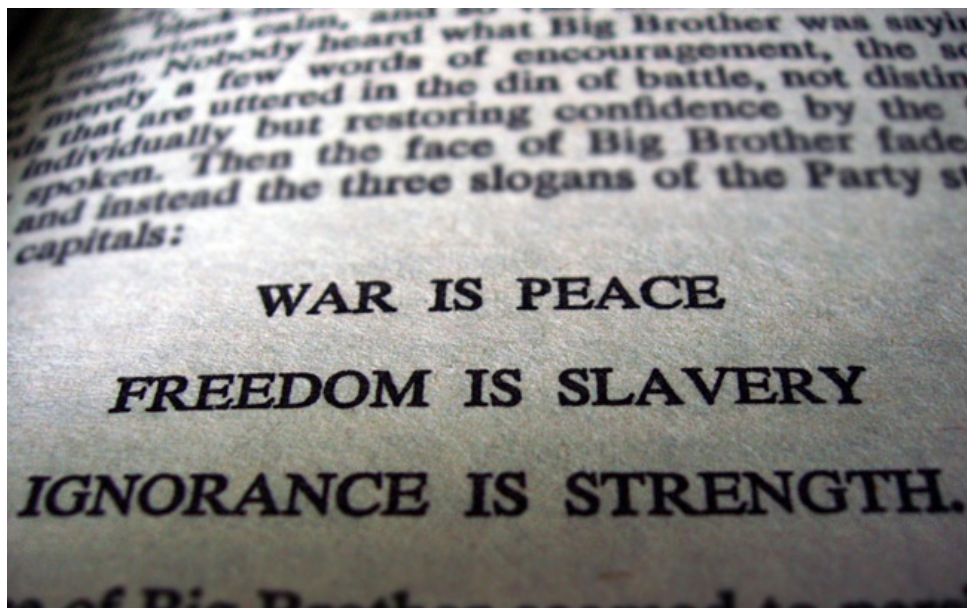
One cannot exaggerate the scale and scope of today's corruption — that now literally threatens the entire globe! Unless you and other honest elected officials elsewhere put a stop to this insanity, mankind's worst-ever genocide will become a reality! I am available to answer questions. Thank you for your time.
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A Totalitarian Society Has Totalitarian Science

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And vice versa. Totalitarian science lets you know you're living in a totalitarian society



The totalitarian party principles from George Orwell's "1984"

The government, the press, the mega-corporations, the prestigious foundations, the academic institutions, the "humanitarian" organizations say:

"This is the disease. This is its name. This is what causes it. This is the drug that treats it. This is the vaccine that prevents it."

"This is how accurate diagnosis is done. These are the tests. These are the possible results and what they mean."

"Here are the genes. This is what they do. This is how they can be changed and substituted and manipulated. These are the outcomes."

"These are the data and the statistics. They are correct. There can be no argument about them."

"This is life. These are the components of life. All change and improvement result from our management of the components."

"This is the path. It is governed by truth which science reveals. Walk the path. We will inform you when you stray. We will report new improvements."

"This is the end. You can go no farther. You must give up the ghost. We will remember you."

We are now witnessing the acceleration of Official Science. Of course, that term is an internal contradiction. But the State shrugs and moves forward.

The notion that the State can put its seal on favored science, enforce it, and punish its competitors, is anathema to a free society.

► **For example:** declaring that psychiatrists can appear in court as expert witnesses, [when none of the so-called mental disorders listed in the psychiatric literature are diagnosed by laboratory tests.](#)

► **For example:** [stating that vaccination is mandatory](#), in order to protect the vaccinated (who are supposed to be immune) from the unvaccinated. An absurdity on its face.

► **For example:** announcing that the science of climate change is "settled," when there are, in fact, [huge numbers of researchers who disagree](#). And then, drafting legislation and issuing executive orders based on the decidedly unsettled science.

► **For example:** officially approving the release and sale of medical drugs ("safe and effective") [which go on to kill, at a](#)

[conservative estimate, 100,000 Americans every year](#). And then [refusing to investigate or punish](#) the purveyors of these drug approvals (the FDA).

► **For example:** permitting the widespread use of genetically modified food crops, [based on no long-term studies of their impact on human health](#). And then, arbitrarily announcing that the herbicide, Roundup, for which many of these crops are specifically designed, [is non-toxic](#).

► **For example:** declaring and promoting the existence of various epidemics, when the viruses purportedly causing them are not proven to exist and/or not proven to cause human illness ([Ebola](#), [SARS](#), [West Nile](#), [Swine Flu](#), [etc.](#))

A few of you reading this have been with me since 1988, when I published my first book, [AIDS INC... Scandal of the Century](#). Among other conclusions, I pointed out that HIV had never been shown to cause human illness; the front-line drug given to AIDS patients, AZT, was overwhelmingly toxic; and what was being called AIDS was actually a diverse number immune-suppressing conditions.

Others of you have found my work more recently, since I started this site in 2001. I always return to the subject of false science, because it is the most powerful long-term instrument for repression, political control, and destruction of human life.

As I've stated on many occasions, medical science is ideal for mounting and launching covert ops aimed at populations - because it appears to be politically neutral, without any allegiance to State interests.

Unfortunately, medical science, on many fronts, has been hijacked and taken over. The profit motive is one objective, but beyond that, there is a more embracing goal:

Totalitarian control.

It aims to replace your freedom, consciousness, and intelligence with its own synthetic versions.

WIRED Magazine Now Totally Admits What The Entire Media Called 'Loony Conspiracy Theories' Just Five Years Ago To Be Real

April 25 2015 | From: [NaturalNews](#)

Remember when it was considered the subject matter of tin foil hat-wearers to surmise that everything we do, say, or search for online is being tracked by covert government agencies acting in blatant violation of the U.S. Constitution?



Well, now it's become common knowledge that we live in this exact, illicit surveillance society, as is now openly admitted by popular media sites such as WIRED.

A recent piece by the site's Bruce Schneier lifts a veil on the mass surveillance activities taking place by the likes of the National Security Agency (NSA), whose cover was blown by whistleblower Edward Snowden in 2013, and subsequently by several others.

Initially, it was thought that such technological capacity only existed in sci-fi films, and that surely government agencies don't have the time or resources to collect information on, well, *everyone*.

But now it turns out that this premise is actually a reality -- the military-industrial complex, in the name of "national security" and the faux "war on terror" is actively collecting what Schneier explains is a treasure trove of metadata on practically every [western person] American.

And it is doing so without consent or constitutional approval, with seemingly no recourse for those who would choose, if they could, to opt-out.

"We may not like to admit it, but we are under mass surveillance," writes Schneier for *WIRED*, dispelling all accusations that government spying is some kind of loony conspiracy theory.

NSA and other treasonous organizations surveil Americans to maintain military dictatorship, not to protect "national security"

In his eye-opening report, Schneier highlights the difference between data, or more precisely the *content* of a person's conversations and emails, and metadata, which he dubs the *context* of a person's entire life. By simply analyzing **who** you call regularly rather than **what** you're actually saying during a call, for example, agencies like the [NSA](#) are able to compile what they believe to be an accurate profile of what you're doing and thinking.

Based on this information, the powers that be believe they're entitled to make decisions about your "threat" level - not in terms of a real threat to freedom or liberty, of course, but a threat to the establishment that's fighting wars, destroying economies, and controlling the world, in essence, in the *construction of a centralized world order*.

It's all about power and control, in other words, and the cohort of metadata that can be gathered through internet search histories, mobile phone calls, and other sinister tracking protocols is the direct means to this end.

Your [privacy](#) isn't a concern in any of this, and the corporations involved in making these data mining activities a reality are oftentimes just accessories to treason.

Because in truth, the activities of agencies like the NSA are what really constitute terrorism, not the everyday movements, thoughts, and communications of a supposedly "free" people.

Data mining and spying by the government are both patently criminal activities, and no amount of "national security" propaganda will ever change that fact. And yet these practices continue because most people aren't willing to stop them.

"Metadata absolutely tells you everything about somebody's life," admitted NSA General Counsel and traitor Stewart Baker about what our infiltrated government apparatus is up to when it comes to tracking the population.

"If you have enough metadata you don't really need content. We kill people based on metadata."

In the words of the Electronic Frontier Foundation (EFF):

"The U.S. government ... has engaged in massive, illegal dragnet surveillance of the domestic communications and communications records of millions of ordinary Americans at least 2001."

Britain's IoD: "Smart Meters Are A Government IT Disaster Waiting To Happen"

April 9 2015 | From: [TakeBackYourPower](#)

The UK's leading business network of company directors has issued a damning report and warning against the UK's planned "smart" meter rollout.

Not too clever: will Smart Meters be the next Government IT disaster?

Authors: Dan Lewis and Jamie Kerr

IoD Policy Report

IoD calls for Smart Meters scheme to be 'halted, altered or scrapped' to avoid 'unjustified, over-engineered and expensive mistake'

The Government's rollout of Smart Meters, digital energy meters designed to provide real-time usage statistics, should be "halted, altered or scrapped" to avoid a potentially catastrophic government IT disaster, the Institute of Directors warns today.

In a major new report entitled "[Not too clever: will Smart Meters be the next Government IT disaster?](#)" the IoD brands the £11bn scheme, the largest government IT project in history, "unwanted by consumers, devoid of credibility and mind-blowingly expensive". The business group calls on an incoming government to review the project and "consider a fresh start".

View or download the IoD report:

[Not too clever: Will Smart Meters be the next Government IT disaster?](#)

(PDF, Released March 27, 2015)

Summary:

► Smart meters are the largest UK Government-run IT project in history, and the most expensive and complex

smart meter programme in the world.

- ▶ The risks of such a huge programme with so much complexity are staggering.
- ▶ The pace of technological innovation may well leave the current generation of meters behind and leave consumers in a cycle of installation, de-installation and re-installation.
- ▶ Three assessments of the programme by the Major Projects Authority have not been published. This is unacceptable.
- ▶ It is imperative to move towards a cost-effective smart meter rollout by embracing one or all of the following cost-saving and simplifying measures:
 - ▶ i) Halting the smart gas meter deployment;
 - ▶ ii) Removing the requirement for an in home display;
 - ▶ iii) Reduce rollout to only those homes that have a high energy usage;
 - ▶ iv) Abandon attempts to stretch the rollout to flats and tower blocks;
 - ▶ v) Make the programme genuinely voluntary;
 - ▶ vi) Abandon the programme altogether and develop a smartphone app that allows customers to take their own readings.
- ▶ Over the years, the ambition and scale of Government IT projects has not been matched by appropriate management and planning.
- ▶ 80 per cent of surveyed IoD members believe Government's ability to deliver successful IT projects is poor.

The Smart Meter programme, which has the hugely ambitious target of installing 100 million new pieces of kit in homes and business by 2020, was initiated by Ed Miliband as energy secretary in 2008, following an EU Directive, and confirmed by the Coalition Agreement in 2010.

The report's author, Dan Lewis, Senior Infrastructure Advisor at the IoD, calls the political consensus "a conspiracy of silence among politicians in thrall to big ideas and even bigger budgets".

Lewis continues:

"The professed aims of the Smart Meter programme are laudable, and we all recognise the benefits of reducing consumption and increasing energy awareness. But there is little credible evidence to suggest that a scheme of this size and complexity will achieve those goals."

The IoD report highlights a number of key concerns:

Despite the EU Directive, 11 nations have ruled out electricity smart meters and only 5 are pushing ahead with the 2020 target for gas meters. In contrast, as is so often is the case, the UK has gold-plated the Directive.

- ▶ The government refuses to publish any of the reports on the programme by the Major Projects Authority.
- ▶ The cost-benefit analysis conducted by the Department for Energy and Climate Change is so heavily redacted as to be almost unreadable.
- ▶ The Smart Meter network would be vulnerable to cyber-attack and disruption.
- ▶ Introducing time-of-day pricing to shift consumer demand will only work with price increases that are not politically realistic. Retail consumers really can't change their energy consumption that much.

The report places the rollout of Smart Meters within the context of previous large-scale IT fiascos, including the infamous NHS National Programme for IT, the eBorders Programme and the BBC's disastrous Digital Media Initiative. Furthermore, a recent survey shows that 80 per cent of IoD members rate the ability of government to manage large IT projects as "poor or very poor".

Dan Lewis adds:

"This scheme is far from smart. The dishonourable roll call of government IT projects that have haemorrhaged vast amounts of taxpayers' money to no discernible effect needs no further additions."

Consumers will not forgive the already unpopular energy companies for a costly programme which fails to deliver and ends up making them poorer. Without a change of direction, whoever wins the general election is at risk of overseeing a spectacular failure in the next parliament. They would be well-advised to consider a fresh start."

"Consumers do not want the meters, they have proved a costly mistake in countries where they have been rolled out, and the Government is withholding key details about their costs and benefits. This makes for a programme which is devoid of credibility, over-engineered and mind-blowingly expensive."

Perhaps the only reason why the cost and ambition of this project has not become a national scandal already is because of a conspiracy of silence among politicians in thrall to big ideas and even bigger budgets."

A key area of concern outlined in the report is that the technology behind the scheme is untested and some parts will likely be obsolete by the scheduled switch-on date of 2020.

The new wireless standard, ZigBee, which is being developed for Smart Meters is complex and expensive compared to the

better-known Wi-Fi or Bluetooth. Each property will also get an in home display, but there is scant evidence of consumer demand. British Gas found that only 60% of customers looked at their displays even once a month a year after installation.

An incoming government should consider the following changes:

- ▶ **Stop the smart gas meter deployment** – only a handful of EU nations are planning to deploy gas smart meters by 2020. This would save billions of pounds.
- ▶ **Remove the requirement for an in home display** – expected to cost £800m in total, the displays will be out of date in a few years. Far better to connect smart meters to people's phones, tablets and PCs
- ▶ **Limit the rollout to homes with high energy usage** – those who use more than 5,100 kWh of electricity, and 23,000 kWh of gas a year have much more to gain. This would reduce the scale of the rollout by 80%.
- ▶ **Abandon attempts to stretch the rollout to tower blocks** – the most technically challenging aspect of the project with the lowest potential returns. This would remove seven million homes from the scheme.
- ▶ **Make the programme genuinely voluntary** – offered to customers at their own expense, not subsidised by all.
- ▶ **Abandon the whole programme and develop a smart phone app instead** – look into developing a smart app which would convert a photo of their current mechanical meter into a meaningful number for the suppliers. This would cost tens of thousands of pounds rather than billions.

Lewis added:

"We know that an incoming government will be under intense financial pressure, having to find further cuts to public spending. This does not fit well with increasing energy bills for a project that has such unrealistic targets, such large costs and such uncertain benefits."

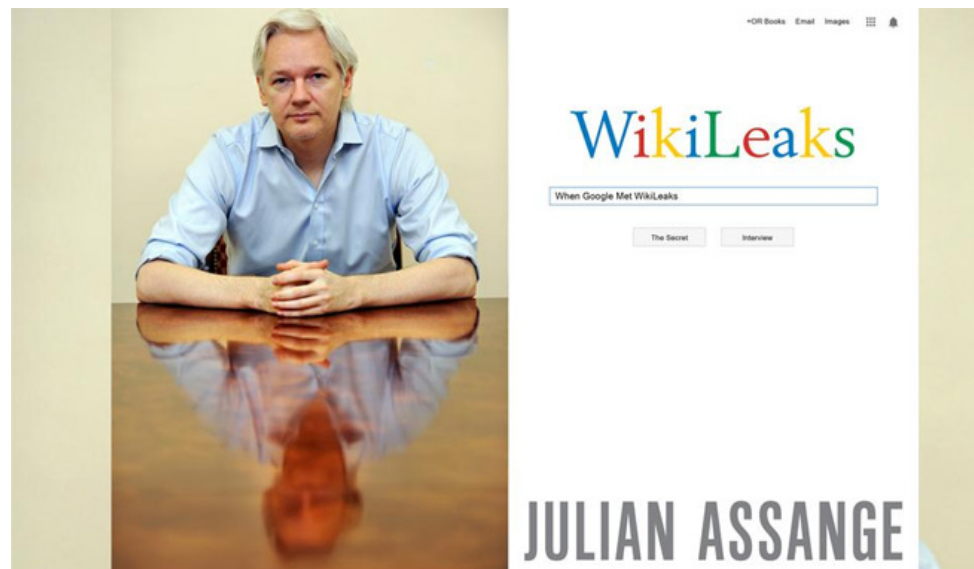
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Assange: Google Is Not What It Seems

April 7 2015 | From: [Newsweek](#)

In June 2011, Julian Assange received an unusual visitor: the chairman of Google, Eric Schmidt, arrived from America at Ellingham Hall, the country house in Norfolk, England where Assange was living under house arrest.



For several hours the besieged leader of the world's most famous insurgent publishing organization and the billionaire head of the world's largest information empire locked horns. The two men debated the political problems faced by society, and the technological solutions engendered by the global network - from the Arab Spring to Bitcoin.

They outlined radically opposing perspectives: for Assange, the liberating power of the Internet is based on its freedom and statelessness. For Schmidt, emancipation is at one with U.S. foreign policy objectives and is driven by connecting non-Western countries to Western companies and markets. These differences embodied a tug-of-war over the Internet's future that has only gathered force subsequently.

In this extract from [When Google Met WikiLeaks](#) Assange describes his encounter with Schmidt and how he came to conclude that it was far from an innocent exchange of views.

Eric Schmidt is an influential figure, even among the parade of powerful characters with whom I have had to cross paths since I founded WikiLeaks. In mid-May 2011 I was under house arrest in rural Norfolk, England, about three hours' drive

northeast of London. The crackdown against our work was in full swing and every wasted moment seemed like an eternity. It was hard to get my attention.

But when my colleague Joseph Farrell told me the executive chairman of Google wanted to make an appointment with me, I was listening.

In some ways the higher echelons of Google seemed more distant and obscure to me than the halls of Washington. We had been locking horns with senior U.S. officials for years by that point. The mystique had worn off. But the power centers growing up in Silicon Valley were still opaque and I was suddenly conscious of an opportunity to understand and influence what was becoming the most influential company on earth. Schmidt had taken over as CEO of Google in 2001 and built it into an empire.

I was intrigued that the mountain would come to Muhammad. But it was not until well after Schmidt and his companions had been and gone that I came to understand who had really visited me.

The stated reason for the visit was a book. Schmidt was penning a treatise with Jared Cohen, the director of Google Ideas, an outfit that describes itself as Google's in-house "think/do tank."

I knew little else about Cohen at the time. In fact, Cohen had moved to Google from the U.S. State Department in 2010. He had been a fast-talking "Generation Y" ideas man at State under two U.S. administrations, a courtier from the world of policy think tanks and institutes, poached in his early twenties.



Jarod Cohen

He became a senior advisor for Secretaries of State Rice and Clinton. At State, on the Policy Planning Staff, Cohen was soon christened "Condi's party-starter," channeling buzzwords from Silicon Valley into U.S. policy circles and producing delightful rhetorical concoctions such as "Public Diplomacy 2.0."

On his Council on Foreign Relations [adjunct staff page](#) he listed his expertise as "terrorism; radicalization; impact of connection technologies on 21st century statecraft; Iran."

It was Cohen who, while he was still at the Department of State, was said to have emailed Twitter CEO Jack Dorsey to delay scheduled maintenance in order to assist the aborted 2009 uprising in Iran. His documented love affair with Google began the same year when he befriended Eric Schmidt as they together surveyed the post-occupation wreckage of Baghdad.

Just months later, Schmidt re-created Cohen's natural habitat within Google itself by engineering a "think/do tank" based in New York and appointing Cohen as its head. Google Ideas was born.

Later that year two [co-wrote a policy piece](#) for the Council on Foreign Relations' journal Foreign Affairs, praising the reformative potential of Silicon Valley technologies as an instrument of U.S. foreign policy. Describing what they called "coalitions of the connected," Schmidt and Cohen claimed that:

"Democratic states that have built coalitions of their militaries have the capacity to do the same with their connection technologies...."

They offer a new way to exercise the duty to protect citizens around the world [emphasis added]."

Schmidt and Cohen said they wanted to interview me. I agreed. A date was set for June.

By the time June came around there was already a lot to talk about. That summer WikiLeaks was still grinding through the release of U.S. diplomatic cables, publishing thousands of them every week. When, seven months earlier, we had first started releasing the cables, Hillary Clinton [had denounced the publication](#) as "an attack on the international community" that would "tear at the fabric" of government.

It was into this ferment that Google projected itself that June, touching down at a London airport and making the long drive up into East Anglia to Norfolk and Beccles.

Schmidt arrived first, accompanied by his then partner, Lisa Shields. When he introduced her as a vice president of the Council on Foreign Relations - a U.S. foreign-policy think tank with close ties to the State Department - I thought little more of it. Shields herself was straight out of Camelot, having been spotted by John Kennedy Jr.'s side back in the early 1990s.

They sat with me and we exchanged pleasantries. They said they had forgotten their Dictaphone, so we used mine. We made an agreement that I would forward them the recording and in exchange they would forward me the transcript, to be corrected for accuracy and clarity.

We began. Schmidt plunged in at the deep end, straightaway quizzing me on the organizational and technological underpinnings of WikiLeaks.

Some time later Jared Cohen arrived. With him was Scott Malcomson, introduced as the book's editor. Three months after the meeting Malcomson would enter the State Department as the lead speechwriter and principal advisor to Susan Rice (then U.S. ambassador to the United Nations, now national security advisor).

At this point, the delegation was one part Google, three parts U.S. foreign-policy establishment, but I was still none the wiser. Handshakes out of the way, we got down to business.

Schmidt was a good foil. A late-fiftysomething, squint-eyed behind owlish spectacles, managerially dressed - Schmidt's dour appearance concealed a machinelike analyticity. His questions often skipped to the heart of the matter, betraying a powerful nonverbal structural intelligence.

Read the full story at: [Newsweek](#)

Hundreds Of Smart Meters Simultaneously Explode

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The utilities lied when they said “smart” or “AMI” meters would make the electricity grid “resilient” and “self-healing.” Nothing could be further from the truth, and this latest episode is more proof of the failure of “smart” meter programs everywhere.



On Monday, hundreds of “smart” meters simultaneously exploded in Stockton, California, when a truck ran into a utility pole. [Watch the video here](#)

CBS News reported that “neighbors in the South Stockton area described it as a large pop, a bomb going off, and strong enough to shake a house.”

The catastrophic failure of these PG&E “smart” meters — which are **not approved by Underwriters Laboratories (UL)** — not only damaged meter bases and other homeowner property, but left those 5,800 customers without power.

That's right — whenever these plastic, unproven meters fail, they **shut your power off**, as shown in this Cambridge University [research paper](#).

Crazy! Hundreds of Smart Meters Explode In Stockton After Power ...



Last July, the province of Saskatchewan [ordered the removal](#) of all 105,000 “smart” meters, following a rash of fires. [Portland OR](#), [Lakeland FL](#), [Arizona](#) and [Ontario](#) followed suit with mass removals.

Quebec firefighters are up-in-arms that Hydro-Quebec agents have actually been [unlawfully taking “smart” meters from fire scenes](#) prior to investigation.

Analog meters are not susceptible to fires. The risk of fires is a “smart” new feature for all customers, brought to you by your PR-spinning utility. Back in 2011, after a similar power surge [ignited 80 “smart” meters](#) in Palo Alto, California, a spokesperson for The Utility Reform Network (TURN) stated:

*“In the collective memory of TURN, **we have not seen similar incidents with analog meters.**”*

The total number of separate incidents of [fires and explosions](#) caused by “smart” meters is now very likely to exceed a thousand or more, although the true number is not known due do widespread coverups and denials by utilities.

In addition to the ongoing stream of incendiary events, so-named “smart” meter programs:

- ▶ Are enshrouded in [fiscal negligence](#);
- ▶ Are [not shown to save energy](#);
- ▶ Are linked with systemic [billing inaccuracy](#) and widespread [increase of bills](#);
- ▶ Facilitate [“time-of-use” billing](#) and future [artificial austerity measures](#);
- ▶ Facilitate [monitoring of your activities](#) and external control of your home;
- ▶ Open the door to [unprecedented hacking vulnerabilities](#); and
- ▶ Emit [pulsed microwave radiation](#) typically thousands of times stronger than a cell phone, leaving many unsuspecting homeowners feeling ill.

It is difficult to imagine a more blatant failure, or a more harmful deployment of unproven technology.

If this is true, how can utilities be getting away with it?

The “smart” meter deployments in your area are actually part of a corporate-government collusion to deploy a mass in-home data-capturing (read *surveillance*) and control grid — the “internet of things”.

Here are three main takeaway points:

- ▶ 1. As new appliances are being designed to collect detailed activity and [report in real-time](#) through the “smart” meter, it’s estimated that the combined data they collect on all of us will be [worth more than the entire electricity industry](#).
- ▶ 2. Industry wants to pocket trillions in this shift to an *information economy*, with **you** as the resource being packaged and sold — without your consent, of course.
- ▶ 3. With industry selling the wireless convenience and glorious modernization of it all, these deployments are being pushed through **under the guise of *climate action***. Go Green!

If this sounds like a stretch, **examine the evidence for yourself.**

The “smart” meter agenda, once fully spawned, would facilitate an unprecedented transfer of money, control, information and security from people to the corporate-government complex (CGC).

The reason why there has been so much industry and government propaganda around the “smart” meter issue is because the scope of this pillaging is, again, **unprecedented**. This is also why those attempting to change to a sane course of action from within the CGC have not yet been successful.

But as awareness spreads, scandals increase ([like this one in California](#)), and people take inspired action, I see that the

"smart" meter agenda will fail and the pseudo-powers behind it will fail.

So, what are we going to do about it?

By protecting our individual rights, we are protecting all of life.

Advocate groups worldwide are encouraged to demand **immediate halt and reversal** of all "smart" meter deployments, whether they be for electricity, water, or gas. It does not matter how much money was invested before people became aware of the facts about harm being perpetrated. We're aware now.

An "**opt-out**" program — whether paid or free — **must categorically be rejected** because asking for an "opt-out" is voting that you generally approve the installation of a surveillance grid, the harming of everyone else, and the practice of corporate extortion.

Individually, here are three things you can do right now.

- ▶ 1. Once you become aware of the facts, **remove your consent in writing** ([see example](#)). This is simple, yet fundamental: your utility has made you an offer. You have the right to (and need to, contractually) either refuse or conditionally accept in writing, any written piece of paper they send your way. Note: everything they send you — indeed every communication they have with you — is essentially a *contract offer*, which in commerce is deemed accepted if it's not rebutted.
- ▶ 2. **Spread the word.** Share the facts and solutions, starting with those you know: family and friends, via email and social media. Get together and form a local action group. Subscribe your email via www.takebackyourpower.net and stay tuned to developments.
- ▶ 3. **Hold the individuals involved liable** for causing or allowing this widespread crime. While this is not legal advice, an effective strategy appears to be treating their offer of a "smart" meter purely as a commercial transaction. You can use the same commercial codes and contract laws on which the for-profit corporate system is based, *against* its agents. Also, here are couple areas of law which are applicable and being used by some groups:

ultrahazardous activity:

"An activity or process that presents an **unavoidable risk of serious harm** to the other **people** or others' **property**, for which the actor may be held **strictly liable** for the harm, even if the actor has exercised reasonable care to prevent that harm." -https://www.law.cornell.edu/wex/ultrahazardous_activity

strict liability:

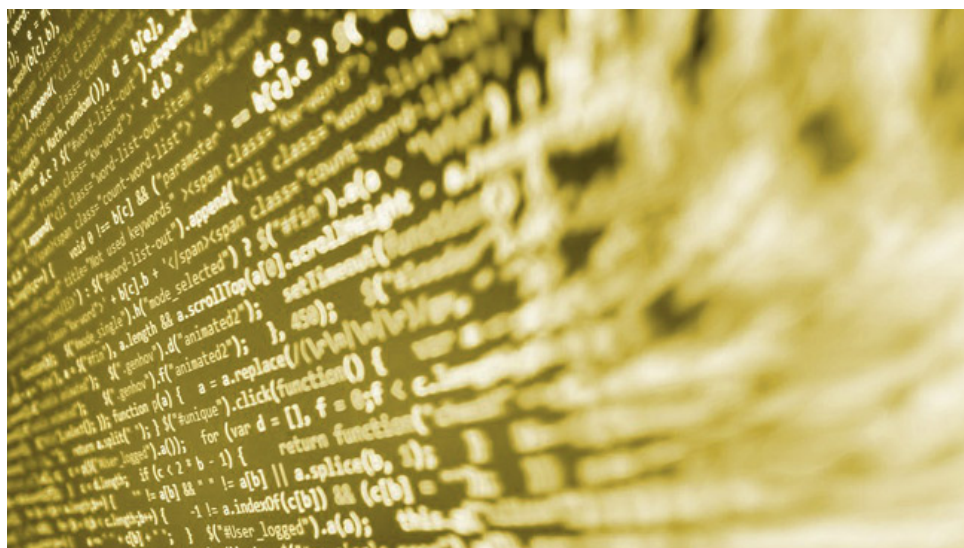
1. **Civil (tort):** Liability incurred for **causing damage to life, limb, or property** by a hazardous activity or a **defective product**, without having to prove that the defendant was negligent or directly at fault. It arises not from any wrongdoing but from the fact of the **activity or product** being **inherently hazardous or defective**.
2. **Criminal:** Liability imposed by a statute **without the necessity of proving criminal intent** (see *mens rea*), and intended to absolutely forbid certain acts such as preparation and sale of adulterated or contaminated food. - <http://www.businessdictionary.com/definition/strict-liability.html>

We will continue to release news and developments on our website, www.takebackyourpower.net, where you can watch our award-winning feature film which covers the shocking true story about "smart" meters.

Intelligence Services Block Activists' Emails And Frame Them With Fake Emails

March 28 2015 | From: [Zerohedge](#)

You send an email to a reporter saying that you've got proof of criminal wrongdoing by a government official ... or a big bank. You never receive a response.



Or you send an email to an expert on monetary policy asking if the Federal Reserve's policies help the rich at the expense of the little guy ... or an expert on radiation asking if the Fukushima accident might endanger public health. You never receive a response.

This might be for any number of perfectly innocent reasons, including:

- ▷ Your email ended up in their spam folder
- ▷ They're busy
- ▷ They're not interested enough to write back
- ▷ They think you're a bore or a crank

But there could be another explanation ...

By way of background, China has [blocked gmail](#) for its citizens.

Yahoo [blocked emails](#) relating to the Occupy protests.

Bahrain uses British software that allows the government to [frame political activists](#) by *creating* messages from that person that they never typed. [35 other countries](#) use the same software.

Tunisia monitored and blocked the emails of activists, so they were never delivered. [For example](#):

"There is also technical surveillance whereby downloading or adding attachment to an email must go through a central server.

Under the pretext of protecting public order and national security, a 1998 post and telecommunications law enables the authorities to intercept and check the content of email messages and in fact electronic surveillance such as filtering of email messages of government opponents have been reported.

Global Voices Advocacy Director and Tunisia Activist Sami Ben Gharbia conducted a test from the Netherlands with two Tunisia-based activists and confirmed by logging to their email accounts from the Netherlands that what he sees is not what they receive when they login from Tunisia, and that they cannot access some of the messages they receive."

The Tunisian government used software from Western companies to block emails of political dissidents.

A prominent American political writer said that – if Tunisia is doing it – you can bet that Western countries are, as well.

Indeed, Snowden [revealed](#) that the British spy agency GCHQ has developed numerous offensive digital tools, including:

Ability to deny functionality to send/receive email or view material online.

Ability to spoof any email address and send email under that identity.

Mass delivery of email messaging to support an Information Operations campaign.

The potential for stifling dissent is [staggering](#).



Police Given Personal Information Without Search Warrants

March 27 2015 | From: [NewZealandHerald](#)

Officers obtaining personal data from range of organisations by citing clauses in legislation.



Broad swathes of people's personal data are being sought regularly by police from airlines, banks, electricity companies, internet providers and phone companies without search warrants by officers citing clauses in the Privacy Act.

Senior lawyers and the Privacy Commissioner have told the *Herald* of concerns over the practice which sees the companies voluntarily give the information to police.

Instead of seeking a legal order, police have asked companies to hand over the information to assist with the "maintenance of the law", **threatened them with prosecution if they tell the person about whom they are interested** and accept data with no record keeping to show how often requests are made.

The request from police carries no legal force at all yet is regularly complied with.

Production orders and search warrants, by contrast, carry a legal compulsion after being approved by a judge or senior court official.

The practice has emerged in recent cases cited by a number of lawyers and has seen a district court judge question the legal right of police to access a defendant's electricity records without a legal order because of the "increasingly intrusive nature of the information gathered by power companies".

Privacy Commissioner John Edwards said he was undertaking research to see if his office should become a central register recording the number of such requests. He said he intended to lead discussion with holders of information over how they could publicly declare the number of requests received.

"I have been concerned for some time there is not full transparency and accounting over the various means (those holding information) agencies are engaging with law enforcement agencies."

He said a range of law enforcement bodies were citing clauses in the Privacy Act to get people's personal details. Clauses in Principle 11 of the act allowed personal information to be provided if it was for "the maintenance of the law", "protection of the public revenue", to "prevent or lessen a serious threat" to individuals and similar clauses.

But the broad intent of Principle 11 was to protect information, he said:

"It is not a power to obtain information for the police."

Mr Edwards said the ability to access information quickly was understandable when time was a critical factor.

He said there was value in a public declaration by companies and others supplying information to police under the clauses.

"It may well impose a greater discipline."

It would mean people could *"see how their information is flowing between different types of entities"*.

Police assistant commissioner Malcolm Burgess said "there are controls around how information is both requested and provided".

But he said there was no information held by police to show how often information was requested in this way because:

"there is currently no business requirement to do so".

"While the Privacy Act provisions can be used to access low level information, such as basic account details, higher level data must be obtained through a production order."

Jonathan Eaton QC provided to the Herald with an excerpt from a recent district court case in which the judge questioned whether a company surrendering a customer's electricity information without a legal order was "authorised".

The judge said:

"Indeed, giving the increasingly intrusive nature of the information gathered by power companies, one must question whether this is material which out to be handed over without the authority of a production order."

Mr Eaton said the issue had yet to be properly tested in court and prosecutors were in danger of having evidence tossed out if it was judged to have been obtained by improper process.

He said there was also a burden of transparency on companies which held personal information.

"There's a very reasonable argument they have an obligation to inform their customers."

Criminal Bar Association president Tony Bouchier said he had a client whose phone and bank records had been provided to police with "absolutely no record whatsoever that any warrants had been issued".

He said those providing information to police had an "obligation" to tell their customers they had done so.

Barrister Chris Wilkinson-Smith said a client's personal information had been provided by an airline to police under a Principle 11 clause, showing booking details, immediate and future travel plans and personal information used to make the booking.

The information was revealed by the airline - which he did not name - after police said it would help with "maintenance of the law". In this case, the person was the target of police inquiries into drug distribution.

He said he had also had cases where TradeMe provided information without any sign of legal orders. He said police often sought search warrants to obtain information, which meant there was independent oversight.

"The danger for police is, if they don't go through the search warrant process, there could be the criticism they have taken a short cut."

Under the law the obligation to guard customers information lies with the company that holds it.

Vodafone and Air NZ were approached for information about the way they handled warrantless requests by police under the Privacy Act. Both companies said they acted in according to the law but refused further information.

A spokesman for Vodafone said questions about how often it provided information to police should be directed to police.

"Where disclosure is made in response to authorities' lawful demands, our responsibility to respect our customers' right to privacy is being balanced against wider public interest considerations."

The company's "transparency report" is silent on providing information under the Privacy Act clauses even though it details search warrants and their invasive powers available to New Zealand's intelligence agencies.

In contrast, Spark detailed the process and type of information it made available. A spokesman said concerns about the safety of people would result in call or text metadata for the last week, IP address traces, location data of where calls were made and the name and address of the account holder.

For "maintenance of the law" requests, it would tell police if the numbers were active in the last seven days and trace listed numbers to the account holder.

A spokesman said it did not keep data on the number of requests made or complied with.

TradeMe was the sole holder of information identified by the *Herald* to publicly declare the number of Principle 11 clause requests it received.

Police made warrantless requests for information on 1663 occasions ending June 2014 while other government agencies made 641 requests.

You Can Defeat Mass Surveillance: Here's How (Pictorial Guide)

March 25 2015 | From: [TheFifthColumnNews](http://thefifthcolumnnews.com)

Ft. Meade, MD (TFC) – Back in June 2014 I wrote an article; [Don't Ask for your Privacy. Take it back](#) for the [Reset the Net](#) campaign.



[“The hope of this campaign is to emerge in a post June 5th world with a more secure standard of communications.”](#)

The only reason why mass surveillance works is because most of our communications are being sent in plain text, as easily read as you are reading this very article. Whether this is done willingly by the service provider or maliciously by the Government using devices and exploits without their knowledge, Encryption will keep (some of) your rights in tact, for now.

While I do admit there is a modest barrier to entry into the realm of secure communications, there is a number of 'Out of the Box' solutions emerging to attempt to reduce this barrier. I will detail these still in development solutions in the footer, and cover some of the more established solutions that require a small amount of setup next. (With a pictorial guide)

- ▶ Secure instant messaging: [Pidgin](#) (w [OTR plugin](#), Mobile users Get [ChatSecure for Android](#) or [ChatSecure for iOS](#).)
- ▶ Hide your IP (with exceptions!): [Tor](#) (Mobile users Get [Orbot for Android](#).)
- ▶ Encrypted GSM/SMS: [TextSecure](#) & [RedPhone](#) (Android only, iOS users get [Signal 2.0](#))

On the complaints about Tor, Let me detail a few of the weakness that exist in Tor so that you may be able to understand its strengths. Tor was initially developed and funded by the US Government to give itself plausible deniability for its own illegal and malicious actions against businesses and countries worldwide.

If only the US Government used Tor it wouldnt be very Anonymous, So it has to be a free for all to provide anonymity. That said, The Government doesnt like supporting malicious actors other than itself. So, Darknet sites (The .onion network) were attacked. The reason this attack worked is for two reasons.

One, Using Tor in a browser provides a wide attack vector via the Flash and JavaScript scripting engines. A script in Flash or JavaScript can report back the IP Address in the context of that code, before it passes over Tor. This is because the code is running locally in your browser and not on the server which does not know your IP address.



Two, If every Tor node you are using is in fact owned by the US Government, a top-down view of all US Government nodes can in theory reveal your IP as an educated guess, but it is not conclusive. Using Tor outside of a browser and not on the Darknet/.onion network will defeat this attack. Me personally, when I use Tor.

I exclude all nodes that reside in a FVEY (Five Eyes) Member country. That is US, CA, AU, UK and NZ. I use an open source project called [AdvTor](#) to do this.

[Pidgin](#) is a messaging client that supports numerous protocols. The one I will focus on is XMPP, previously known as Jabber. The XMPP server I use is creep.im, You can add me using veritas@creep.im. Here is a list of [many XMPP servers](#).

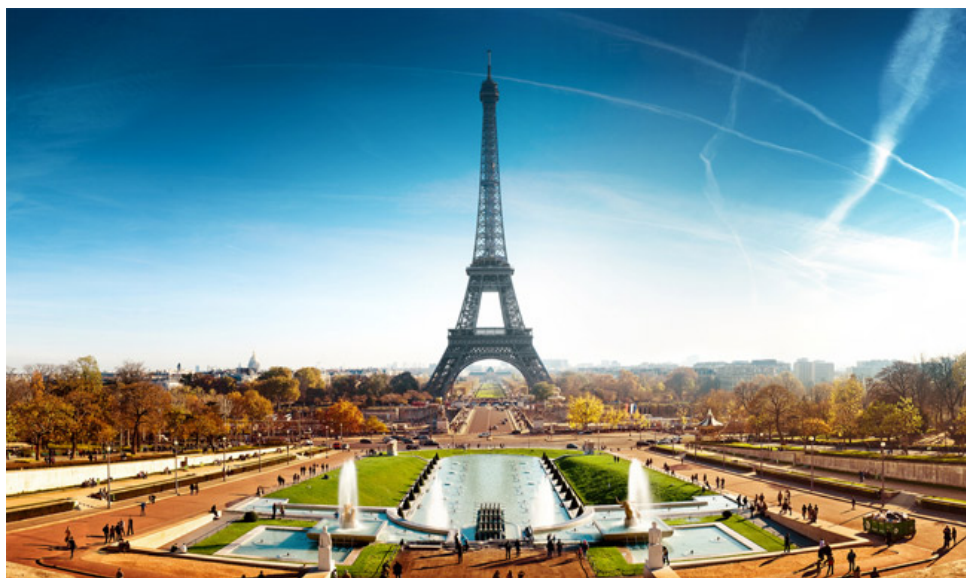
There is no reason Pidgin shouldn't be the MSN or ICQ of this decade. Most people have resigned to using Facebook for their messaging needs, But this is a horribly insecure centralized target for ... pretty much everyone. XMPP allows you to use any number of servers in any number of countries to route your conversations thru, all with full encryption.

Read the full story at: [TheFifthColumnNews](#)

France Moves To Make 'Conspiracy Theories' Illegal By Government Decree

March 23 2015 | From: [21stCenturyWire](#)

The apparent "Political elites" and super-bureaucrats are worried. It's becoming harder to control consensus reality.



A history stitched together by lies and cover-ups, political assassinations, slight-of-hand false flag deceptions, secret societies, dual loyalties and stolen fortunes – this has been the exclusive privilege of organized crime and the ruling elite for centuries.

Putting aside history's 'big ticket' items though, the real reason for this authoritarian trend is much more fundamental. By knocking out their intellectual competition, political elites and their media moguls hope to minimize, and thus eliminate any alternative analysis and opinion by applying the completely open-ended and arbitrary label of "extremist" to speech.

They want to wind back the clock, where a pre-internet, monolithic corporate media cartel held a monopoly on ideas.

SEE ALSO: [JE SUIS HYPOCRITE: Enemies of Press Freedom Hijack 'Charlie' in Paris](#)

Although France has taken the lead in this inter-governmental effort (see below), the preliminary assault began this past fall with British Prime Minister **David Cameron** publicly announcing on two separate occasions, that all of these so-called 'conspiracy theories' (anything which challenges the official orthodoxy) should be deemed as "extremist" and equivalent to "terrorist" and should be purged from society on the grounds of 'national security'.

The first came with [Cameron's warped speech at the UN](#), and afterwards, a similar charge was made by the UK leader [against anyone who dares press the issue of institutional paedophilia](#) and child abuse.

Watch this UN speech by Cameron where he clearly claims that 'conspiracy theorists' are the 'root cause' and indeed, an equal threat to national security as ISIS terrorists currently running amok in Syria and Iraq (start 4:26)...



As yet, few are aware of how in the wake of the [Charlie Hebdo shootings](#), French Prime Minister, **Francois Hollande** delivered an official declaration (see full report and text from his speech below).

However, Hollande takes it beyond the usual hyperbole and focuses on giving the state an administrative and legal foothold for policing both speech and thought crimes in France. *If this is can be accomplished in France, then a European [and beyond] roll-out would soon follow.*

Ironically, in order to achieve this fascist leap forward, Hollande has equated "conspiracy theories" to Nazism, and is calling for government regulations to prevent any sharing or publishing of any views deemed as 'dangerous thought' by the state.

Specifically, Hollande is citing "Anti-Semitism" and also anything which could *inspire* 'acts terrorism' – as the chief vehicles for what the state will be designating as 'dangerous thoughts'. With the thumb of Hebdo still pressing down, this may just sound like politics *writ large* by the French leader, but in reality it's full-blown *fascism*.



Worse yet, with all of the [world leaders gathered together in Paris in January](#) supposedly marching solidarity for 'free speech' and proudly chanting "Je Suis Charlie" (image above), that Hollande would use this as political cover to *restrict* free speech in Europe should shock even.

[RINF](#) reports how the new censorship regime has already been implemented this week:

“Earlier this week, the Interior Minister of France — with no court review or adversarial process — [ordered five websites](#) to not only be blocked in France, but that anyone who visits any of the sites get redirected to a scary looking government website, saying:

***You are being redirected to this official website
since your computer was about to connect with a
page that provokes terrorist acts or condones
terrorism publicly.***

While it could be argued that the four websites initially listed by the government for ‘blocking’ were exclusively for ISIS/ISIL-related activity and thus, should be kept hidden, **the government has made no caveat** in its reams of policy literature, other than some vague language as to what it defines as ‘extremist’, as to where this growing list will stop, or indeed, if it has any limits at all.

Because this process is extrajudicial, then there will be no warning to gov’t targets of this new regime. In fact, as [RINF](#) reports, this has already happened:

“In that first batch was a site called “[islamic-news.info](#).” The owner of that site not only notes that he was never first contacted to “remove” whatever material was deemed terrorist supporting (as required by the law), but that nothing in what he had posted was supporting terrorism.”

Will French gov’t censors also block this website – because it is *challenging* the government’s new public filtering program?

Are we entering a new intolerant, Chinese-style policing culture in Europe, and throughout the west? Certainly they have the ability and the legal clearance to do just that right now.

Fear of losing control over manipulative narratives has always been a primary obsession with those in power, and clearly, based on what we’ve seen here – governments are making an aggressive move on free speech now. Skeptics will no doubt argue that this 21WIRE article itself constitutes a *conspiracy theory*.

If that was the case, then why have western governments, particularly those in the US and Britain, already spent millions, if not billions in state funds in order to [infiltrate, disrupt, and occupy forum websites, and social networking groups of so-called ‘conspiracy theorist’](#) and even creating entirely new groups just to contradict them?

Does that not already prove what the government *modus operandi* is?

As if that wasn’t enough already, now France wants to take it to a whole new authoritarian level. It may sound ridiculous, but this is exactly what is taking place in government as we speak.

History shows that once this new regime is in place, they will not relinquish any new powers of censorship, and so a long, intellectual dark age is certain to follow...



(Translation by [Roger Lagassé](#))

Thierry Meyssan [Voltaire Network](#)

At the request of President **François Hollande**, the French Socialist Party has published a note on the international **"conspiracy theorist"** movement. His goal: to prepare new legislation prohibiting it to express itself.

In the US, the September 11, 2001 coup established a **"permanent state of emergency"** (*Patriot Act*), launching a series of imperial wars.

Gradually, the European elites have aligned with their counterparts across the Atlantic. Everywhere, people are worried about being abandoned by their States and they question their institutions. Seeking to retain power, the elites are now ready to use force to gag their opposition.

The President of the French Republic, François Hollande, has assimilated what he calls "conspiracy theories" to Nazism and called to prevent their dissemination on the Internet and social networks.

Thus he declared, on January 27, 2015 at the Shoah Memorial:

"[Anti-Semitism] maintains conspiracy theories that spread without limits. Conspiracy theories that have, in the past, led to the worst (...) [The] answer is to realize that conspiracy theories are disseminated through the Internet and social networks.

Moreover, we must remember that it is words that have in the past prepared extermination. We need to act at the European level, and even internationally, so that a legal framework can be defined, and so that Internet platforms that manage social networks are held to account and that sanctions be imposed for failure to enforce" [1].

Several ministers also decried what they called conspiracy theorists as so many **"fermenters of hate and disintegrators of society."**

Knowing that President Hollande calls **"conspiracy theory"** the idea that States, whatever their regimes – including democracies – have a spontaneous tendency to act in their own interests and not in that of their constituents, we can conclude that he presented this confused amalgam to justify a possible censure of his opponents.

This interpretation is confirmed by the publication of a note entitled **"Conspiracy theories, current status"** by the Jean-Jaurès Foundation, a Socialist Party think tank of which Mr. Holland was the first secretary. [2]

Let's leave aside the political relations of François Hollande, the Socialist Party, the Fondation Jean-Jaurès, its political radicalism Observatory and the author of the note and let's focus on its message and its ideological content.

Definition of "conspiracy theories"

The terms **"conspiracy theories"** and **"conspiracy theorism"** have developed in France in the wake of the publication of my book on US imperialism post-September 11, titled *The Big Lie* [3].

At the time, we had trouble understanding what the terms meant because they referred to American political history. In the United States, are commonly called **"conspiracy theorists"** those according to whom President Kennedy had not been assassinated by one man but by many, forming a conspiracy (in the judicial sense).

Over time, these expressions entered in the French language and have overlapped with memories of the 30s and the Second World War, those of the denunciation of the **"Jewish conspiracy"**. These are therefore now polysemous, sometimes evoking the law of the state-State silence and, at other times, European anti-Semitism.

In its note, the **Jean-Jaurès Foundation** gives its own definition of conspiracy theorism. It is...

"an 'alternative' narrative that claims to significantly upset the knowledge we have of an event and therefore competes with the "version" which is commonly accepted, stigmatized as "official" (p. 2).

Observe that this definition does not apply solely to the delusions of the mentally ill. Thus, Socrates, through the myth of the cave, affirmed his challenge to the certainties of his time; Galileo with his heliocentric theory challenged the prevailing interpretation of the *Bible* of his time; etc.

For my part, and since they see me as the **"pope of conspiracy theorists"** or rather the **"heretic"** in the words of Italian philosopher Roberto Quaglia, I reaffirm my radical political commitment, in keeping with the French republican radicalism of Leon Bourgeois [4], of Georges Clemenceau, [5] of Alain [6] and of Jean Moulin. [7]

For me, as for them, the state is a *Leviathan* which by nature abuses those it governs. As a radical Republican, I am aware that the state is the enemy of the common good, of the *Res Publica*; which is why I wish not to abrogate it, but to tame it. The republican ideal is compatible with various political regimes-including monarchies, as was enacted by the authors of the *Declaration of 1789*.

This opposition, which the current Socialist Party disputes, has so shaped our history as Philippe Pétain repealed the Republic to proclaim the **"French State"**. Immediately after his assuming presidential office, I denounced Hollande's Petainism [8]. Today, Mr. Hollande claims to be of the Republic to better fight it and this inversion of values plunges the country into confusion.

Who are the "conspiracy theorists"?

The **"conspiracy theorists"** are thus citizens who oppose the omnipotence of the State and who wish to place it under surveillance.

The Jean-Jaurès Foundation describes them as follows:

"[It's] a heterogeneous movement, heavily entangled with the Holocaust denial movement, and which combines admirers of Hugo Chavez and fans of Vladimir Putin.

An underworld that consist of former left-wing activists or extreme leftists, former "malcontents", sovereignists, revolutionary nationalists, ultra-nationalists, nostalgists of the Third Reich, anti-vaccination activists, supporters of

drawing straws, September 11th revisionists, anti-Zionists, Afrocentricists, survivalists, followers of "alternative medicine", agents of influence of the Iranian regime, Bacharists, Catholic or Islamic fundamentalists" (p. 8).

One will note the amalgams and abuse of this description aiming to discredit those it designates.

Myths of the "conspiracy theorists"

The Jean-Jaurès Foundation continues its vilification by accusing "conspiracy theorists" of ignoring the realities of the world and naively believing hackneyed myths.

Thus, they would believe in the "World Zionist plot", the "illuminati conspiracy" and the "Rothschild myth" (p. 4).

And to credit these three statements, it cites an example solely on the "Rothschild myth": blogger Etienne Chouard – whose work is not simply about the Republic, but goes beyond to treat Democracy [9] – says the Pompidou-Rothschild 1973 law is the source of the debt of France.

And the Foundation goes on to refute this assertion by quoting an article published by *Libération*...

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NZ Politics Daily: Can We Trust The Police?

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The integrity and competence of the New Zealand Police is under intense scrutiny, following the release of the highly critical watchdog report on the police investigation into the Roastbusters scandal.



The report raises questions, yet again, of how much faith the public can put in the Police. So far the reactions in the political sphere suggest we shouldn't place too much confidence in the law enforcement agencies, and that significant reform is required.

For some of the more interesting and assertive examples of this, see my blog post [Top tweets about the IPCA Roastbusters report](#).

Police Incompetence

The IPCA's report is described today by the Dominion Post newspaper as "A portrait of carelessness and incompetence" – see the editorial, [Police failed vulnerable young women](#). The newspaper says the police incompetence described in the report is "shocking" and "mystifying, especially as most cases were investigated by specialist detectives."

For details of the findings you can download the actual [Report on Police's handling of the alleged offending by 'Roastbusters'](#), or read excellent summary articles such as Teuila Fuatai's [Roast Busters report reveals errors](#).

The most surprising example of incompetence highlighted by the report was the apparent police misunderstanding of the law, which is discussed best in Danyl McLauchlan's blog post, [Two excerpts from the IPCA report into the Roastbusters Critiques the "police logic"](#). He says:

"Here's what's amazing. The officers making these decisions were detectives in the Child Protection Unit. They're a special team trained to 'exclusively focus' on child abuse and they either did not understand the law around the age of consent or deliberately misinterpreted it."

To explain other elements of police incompetence, Barry Soper uses an analogy:

"it was a bit like burglaries being committed in the same neighbourhood, with the burglar leaving his calling card at

each one of them and the police failing to join the dots, reaching the obvious conclusion that the same person was responsible for lifting the loot"

– see: [Operation Clover needs a fourth leaf](#).

See also, Murielle Baker's Radio New Zealand item, [IPCA report provokes strong response](#), which includes the observation of lawyer Catriona MacLennan, that the police:

"seem to almost think that a complaint and evidence from a victim are required for a prosecution. But that's obviously not the case, or no one would ever be prosecuted for homicide. I think they need to evaluate more carefully where evidence for prosecution could come from."

For these and other reasons, the report is "horrifying" says Toby Manhire in his column [Police reform pledges exposed in report](#).

Police Lack of Accountability

Police unwillingness to accept and demonstrate full culpability is highlighted in today's Otago Daily Times editorial, [A damning indictment](#), saying that:

"The authority's findings are damning and will inevitably open up questions of accountability once again, as well as the adequacy of police procedures and communication with agencies, notably Child, Youth and Family".

The editorial says that Police failure to communicate with the young men involved, and their families, is perhaps the "most chilling" revelation in the report.

Bloggers are condemning this lack of accountability in stronger terms. Blogger No Right Turn says that:

"Two of the officers - Officers C and E - appear to have been absolutely crap at their jobs, and are specifically identified as failing to meet the police's investigative standards."

Police PR is absolutely silent on what has been done about these officers, and in particular, whether they have been sacked - there's not even the usual bullshit about more training"

– see: [The RoastBusters report](#).

Similarly, Danyl Mclauchlan complains that:

"Police can blandly say they accept criticisms and recommendations and apologise to victims, etc, but if they don't sack incompetent officers specifically identified as being the cause of this debacle then none of it means anything".

An Isolated Problem, or Systemic?

Much of the political debate has been on the question of whether the major problems found in the report constitute an isolated one-off problem, or a wider systemic issue for the force. Police Minister Michael Woodhouse has said he believes it's a case of individual actions rather than wider problems – see the Herald report, [IPCA: Police 'let down' Roast Busters' alleged victims](#).

Rape Prevention Education director Dr Kim McGregor says she "had spoken to top police officers about the issue", and that:

"They know that they have pockets in areas where maybe there's an old-school attitude... Some of the heads within certain districts have misogynistic views towards women"

– see Murielle Baker's [IPCA report provokes strong response](#).

McGregor is quoted elsewhere saying that the problem "sounds like a systemic failure".

She points the finger at the police bosses:

"I think we need to look higher, look at who was managing that team and why they were not able to liaise the way they should have".

"We just need the police to step up and sort out those pockets of poor practice, sort out any managers, leaders who have misogynistic views, who don't take reports of sexual violence seriously, and that culture needs to come from the top"

– see Newswire's [Greens: Roast Busters taskforce needed](#).

In the same article, Police Association president Greg O'Connor points the finger instead at a lack of resources, saying **"police's workload was 'impossible', meaning systemic failures were inevitable"**.

There's support for O'Connor's position in Rachel Smalley's column, [Roast Busters case handling a shambles](#). She says that **"a lack of resourcing mean police have a huge workload, and systemic failures are therefore inevitable"**.

Blogger No Right Turn also asks about the scale of the problem in the police:

"there's an obvious question: if the police were so crap at investigating these cases, are they also crap at others? How many other rapists are going free because police just can't be arsed doing their jobs properly?"

– see: [The RoastBusters report](#).

The IPCA's report does actually address this issue, saying that:

"the Authority has not found any evidence of ongoing and widespread poor practice nationally".

But, according to No Right Turn, this response is to be expected, because the IPCA:

"didn't look. Instead, they leant their mana (such as it is) to protect the reputation of a police force which has manifestly failed to do their job. Because at the end of the day, that's the IPCA's job."

Not to get to investigate, not to hold the police to account, but to protect them and the system they are part of. And as long as that is the case, things will never change".

Police Reform Demanded

There are increasing calls now for the Government to implement some significant reform of the Police. Much of this comes out of the observation that the institution of the Police appears incapable of reforming itself – an observation actually made by the IPCA itself, in saying that the authority is "disturbed" by the lack of progress by the police in implementing change demanded by previous inquiries.

Green Party co-leader Metiria Turei is therefore leading the charge for an independent taskforce to be established. Turei says:

"We have come to the unfortunate conclusion that the police are not capable of making the changes themselves, and they can't be trusted to take seriously the complaints of sexual violence victims in every case"

– see Chris Bramwell's [Greens want police culture 'rebuild'](#). Turei believes *"public trust in the police has been completely destroyed"*.

Others are expressing skepticism about the police apologies and promises to change. Barry Soper says:

"We've seen top cop Mike Bush offering mea culpas, saying they weren't up to their normal high standards and they were disappointed in themselves. How many times have we heard that before?"

– see: [Operation Clover needs a fourth leaf](#).

Again, No Right Turn comments:

"what's most disturbing is that these are all issues we've seen before, in the Police-rape cases. And despite a commission of inquiry recommending changes, and despite the police saying they have made them, nothing appears to have changed".

– see: [The RoastBusters report](#).

Making the most elaborate case for reform is Selwyn Manning, who argues that the IPCA report:

"findings demonstrate how the Police, as an institution, is unable to self-assess what ought to be done about this enduring culture of leniency toward sexual crimes and abuse."

– see his blog post, [NZ Police Must Be Exorcised of Culture of Sexual Offending Leniency](#).

Manning calls for:

"an authority outside the Police club be established and empowered to root out this culture once and for all".

He argues that this is necessary because;

"These conclusions paint a picture of an arrogant force resistant to outside commands".

Police issues are being strongly politicised, and more public and parliamentary debate can be expected. Yesterday Parliament went into an urgent debate on the issue, which included some interesting speeches and accounts from Jacinda Ardern and Catherine Delahunty – see Jo Moir's [MP recounts 'date-rape and assault' as young woman](#).

There will continue to be pressure on the Government, and especially on whether they are responding adequately to the release of the report. For example, the Herald's political reporter Adam Bennett (@AdDeville) has tweeted, *"Shouldn't Police*

Min Michael Woodhouse be speaking out more about #Roastbusters report?"

Similarly, drawing attention to the lack of media releases in response, satirist Lyndon Hood (@lyndonhood) has tweeted what, at first, looks like an incomplete sentence: *"The following is an exhaustive list of Government press releases on the IPCA report:"*

The petitions are also up and running – see Action Station's [Demand Justice for 'Roast Busters' Survivors](#).

Finally, for a fascinating insight into one person's experience of police culture and why it doesn't change, you can read former police inspector (and politician) Ross Meurant's controversial 2011 North and South magazine feature, [When the good guys are the bad guys](#).

In Today's Tyrannical "We Told You So" News: EU Calls For Tracking Computers In All Vehicles To Monitor, Regulate Travel

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The controlling surveillance state is deepening, prying further into people's lives like a chisel carving its way through skin and bone. Governments have become opportunistic control freaks, centralizing their micromanagement powers whenever possible.

[The dupes will say "Yes, but that it just happening in Europe" - but the astute now see that this is the very same "thin end of the wedge" scenario that has snuck into the world quite successfully on so many occasions because the dumbed down, sleeping masses were too stupid, pathetic and gutless to face reality beyond the distractions that have been purposely fed to them.]



[If you are incapable of comprehending this notion then you would be best to return to your favourite inane Master Cook / Idiotic Singing Pleb show thing - and never attempt to consider anything beyond such superficial excrement ever again.]

Please excuse the increased use of highlighting - but we are now in the most extreme of times; and some points simply are of too much importance - and the amount of material that needs to be exposed is increasing exponentially.

Now the European Union is rolling out plans to monitor travel on all European roads, tracking drivers' mileages and time traveled per vehicle. This controlling scheme is not for surveillance alone; it's essentially a plan to tax every driver for the distance they travel on European roads.

Could you imagine being taxed for every quarter-mile you drive?

A senior European politician is doing just that, calling on all European vehicles to be installed with road-pricing systems.

This would include mandatory installation of a computer that would track how long one has driven on European roads and how far. This plan would serve as a built-in tax, harmonizing all road toll charges across the EU. The plan would end road-side tolls and replace them with time-tracking and/or distance-tracking toll micromanagement systems.

EU Transport Commissioner says computer system should regulate distance traveled

One of the plan's advocates, Transport Commissioner Violeta Bulc, is also trying to make the computer system as efficient as possible. **She said that the EU travel regulations will put "a burden on car drivers" while becoming an "obstacle to their mobility."**

Bulc is advocating for a plan that **charges drivers per kilometer** and not by time.

Her plan also includes a way to limit the speed of cars to minimize fuel loss.

Bulc doesn't want to encourage speeding drivers by pressuring them for every minute they are operating their vehicle.

Instead, she thinks it's safer and more efficient to charge drivers by the mile.

It doesn't matter which way she looks at it, **the plan to install computers in all vehicles is a gross violation of property and privacy, and another way centralized government can micromanage the people and their finances.**

Bulc said;

"It doesn't matter where you come from - everyone will only pay for the distance they have actually driven and it will be billed on a device throughout [Europe](#). We're currently investigating just such an idea."

She continued:

"There are many options - a fee could be obligatory but it's also possible to make it optional i.e. that countries decide themselves whether and on which roads they want to levy a road use charge based on kilometres driven."

The built in pay-by-the-mile scheme was slammed by UKIP transport spokesman Jill Seymour MEP.

She said;

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"[L]ook how the EU overrides the democratic decision of the British people: an unelected Slovenian bureaucrat in Brussels announces in a German newspaper interview that she wants to force all British drivers to fit computers in their cars which will count every mile they drive."

She pointed out:

"Britain will be forced into an EU-wide scheme in which Commissioner Bulc will force all drivers to pay for using our own roads, and the money will go straight to Brussels."

She continued her argument:

*"This would be outrageous on three counts. First, it would be the **imposition of a tax on tens of millions of UK citizens** without the consent or control of parliament.*

Second, the money raised would not go to HM Treasury but to the bureaucrats in Brussels who would then undemocratically decide how the money would be spent on their own EU road schemes.

*Third, the idea that **every British car would be fitted with a high-tech computer tracking every trip a driver makes** is an invasion of privacy which we cannot tolerate."*

[And her final point is exactly why 'we the people' need to stand up and oppose these incremental, tyrannical "Legislative" additions / adjustments / advancements.

It is so obvious that we are, and have been continuously, over time been "Legislated" into a box of ever diminishing dimensions - where does it end and at what point will you realise that your freedom is the target of an extermination effort?]

Analysis: The Questions The Government Must Answer About The Snowden Revelations

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Wrong, says the Prime Minister of the surveillance stories. But John Key won't say why. Don't believe what you read in the newspaper, says the Foreign Minister of reports New Zealand was spying on the Solomon Islands government.



Can we tell the public what the British public now know to be true about their own security agencies? asks David Fisher?

However, there's no benefit in having discussions about it through the media, says Murray McCully.

And those doing the spying at the Government Communications Security Bureau won't assist, saying it doesn't comment on "operational" matters.

So, between the leaked top secret documents and the denials, how do we cut through to what's actually happening?

Broadly, the claim in relation to the GCSB is that it sucks up vast amounts of raw data from the Pacific which is then stored with the United States' National Security Agency.

The data taken from the Pacific can be searched using a computer system called XKeyscore which is operated from access points around the world including at Waihopi at the top of the South Island.

Is it true that there is bulk collection of people's data? And if so, is the information shared outside New Zealand?

The answer could be in the practices in some of the other countries with which we partner in the Five Eyes intelligence grouping of Australia, Canada, New Zealand, the United Kingdom and the United States.

The Five Eyes is a surveillance network with its roots in World War II, bound by a formal agreement called the UKUSA agreement.

For almost 70 years since then, it has seen the five countries cooperate on intelligence gathering and sharing.

There are many close similarities in the way the various bodies operate. The nations are close - we send staff to work with them and likewise, their intelligence staff work out of New Zealand.

To operate effectively as a network, we have to cooperate effectively. Part of doing this is similar laws, methods and systems.

So, when the UK's Intelligence and Security Committee released its report into its surveillance practices last Friday, there was much in there which matches the allegations made here and gives credence to claims about how New Zealand operates.

The UK inquiry, a historic event, followed the leaks from former NSA contractor Edward Snowden. It paid tribute to the close links between the intelligence agencies and those abroad, stating:

"The (security) Agencies have long-standing intelligence-sharing agreements with many international partners."

It heard from the Government Communications Headquarters - it's partner to our GCSB - that "SIGINT (signals intelligence) partners can receive intercepted material directly from each other".

The committee's report quoted GCHQ as saying "our default position is to make all our reported intelligence sharable with our [Five-Eyes] partners".

Reported intelligence is that which has been developed beyond the raw feeds it has available but the report also covered the sharing of "raw intercept", confirming that GCHQ did seek and receive such information from the NSA. It did so legally, and did so without a warrant because on the occasions it did seek the raw data there was already a warrant in force.

On the issue of "raw intercept", the British committee signalled further safeguards would likely be needed.

The committee also found that metadata - what it called "who, when, where" information - was also provided by overseas partners. This type of information included communications by email, land and mobile phones, social media communications and other contacts between two or more points. **In terms of value, this was considered greater than other means of interception.**

It would seem our partner agencies do both of the activities the GCSB is said to have done. That is, they provide information between intelligence organisations, both fully formed "by default" and in its raw form. There is also metadata provided between Five Eyes members.

There is sharing, but what then of the scale of the interceptions?

"Bulk collection" does occur, the British committee confirmed. It says while GCHQ has the capacity to intercept the communications of individuals, it has to find those people first.

GCHQ needs to be able to conduct bulk collection "so that they can generate leads and obtain the information they need to then target those individuals".

Using keywords for searching, the British GCHQ hunts across the internet stream searching for a match. Its report used the analogy of hunting for a needle in a haystack with a magnet. The results are categorised, reduced again by algorithms and search tools before producing a manageable list of material from which selections can be made to access actual communications.

Bulk interception operates across a small percentage of those networks making up the internet, the committee was told. Even though it collects "vast numbers of communications", the total accessed on a global scale was "a very small percentage". It chose which to access based on the greatest likelihood of positive results. Yes, the tool could be turned inwards and search for British citizens but GCHQ first needed authorisation from the UK Secretary of State.

That came with a complication, the committee found. The nature of the internet was such that communications involving British people - protected as Kiwis are protected in relation to the GCSB - were often through offshore web servers and companies.

Those communications would also be swept up. It questioned whether the British distinction of "internal" versus "external" communications was still valid in the internet age.

The committee found bulk interception necessary, citing - as other US inquiries have been unable to - security threats which would otherwise have been unknown.

But it also made "substantial recommendations for immediate improvements to the existing system of authorisation and oversight". It also called for increased transparency, greater oversight and more protections for British citizens.

It seems then, that our partner agencies do engage in "bulk collection", of the sort described by former GCSB director Sir Bruce Ferguson in his *Radio New Zealand* interview.

"You cannot these days just individually select people... you put out a big net, catch stuff, you throw out the stuff you don't want ... and you keep the stuff you do want," he said.

The British committee also revealed for the first time by the committee that GCHQ and its sister agencies had acquired "bulk personal datasets" of individuals - huge amounts of personal details about people which were subject to no oversight. The report is silent on whether the datasets, gathered from commercial and government organisations, are shared with Five Eyes partners.

On the type of collection, methods and scale, it is extremely likely we are walking in step with partners with which we have shared intelligence aims and material for almost 70 years.

For us to do other than the British do - and the Americans - would create a level of dysfunction across a collaborative network.

The British report- from a society and a committee not known for its openness - detailed the methods its agencies used and gave the reasons why. It examined the safeguards and, in many areas, found they were lacking.

It also acknowledged there was "a legitimate public expectation of openness and transparency in today's society". Intelligence agencies need secrecy, it said, but "the Government must make every effort to ensure that as much information as possible is placed in the public domain".

New Zealand soon has its own review of the intelligence agencies, scheduled to begin before the middle of the year.

What a challenge for New Zealand. We, the smallest Five Eyes partner, have membership of the network through our history as a former colony of the United Kingdom.

Can we produce an inquiry report at least as detailed as that released in the United Kingdom last Friday?

Can we tell the public what the British public now know to be true about their own security agencies?

And if not, why?

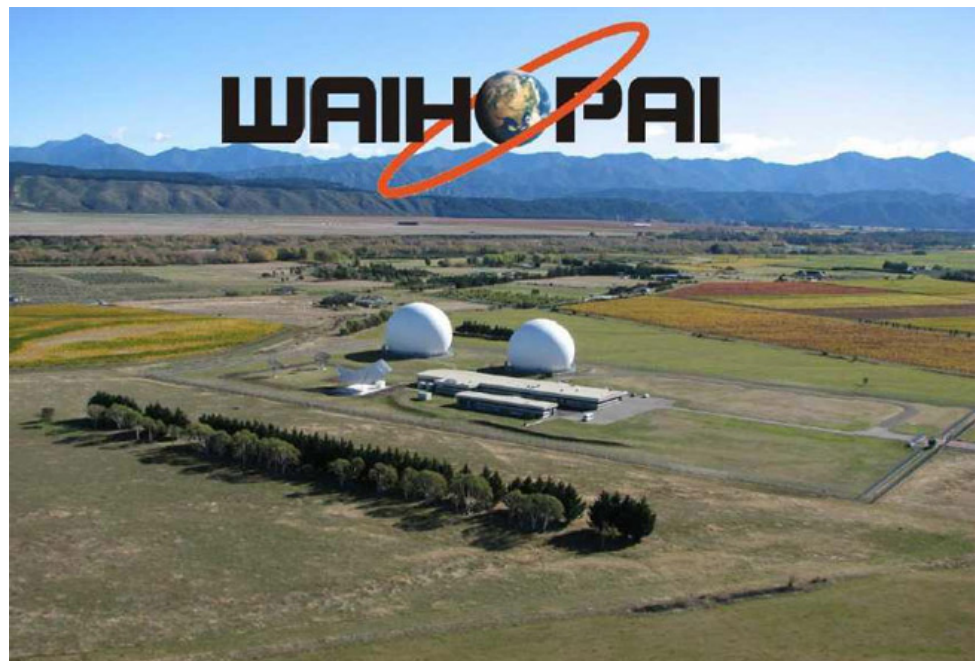
No Public Accountability For The GCSB, Prime Minister Goes Back On His Word + Documents Shine Light On Shadowy New Zealand Surveillance Base

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"You Shouldn't Worry If You've Got Nothing To Hide" is one of the mantras trotted out when New Zealanders complain about the GCSB having access to their private communications.

There is some speculation that the 'Fonterra 1080 poisoning threat' debacle is in fact a false flag cook-up to distract the mainstream media from the ongoing NSA / GCSB / FVEY spying evidence that is braising the Prime Ministers goose somewhat publicly.

► **Related:** [John Key On "Mass Collection" Versus "Mass Surveillance"](#)



Let's turn that mantra around as ask those running the GCSB why the feel they have to hide from public everything they do. Is it because, as recent revelations show, the agency is more about serving the interests of the US government than that of New Zealanders?

No Public Accountability for the GCSB

March 9 2015 | [EveningReport](#)

When I [Keith Locke] was an MP I ran up against a brick wall when I asked any questions about the GCSB, the Waihopai spy station or the Five Eyes. "We don't comment on matters of national security" was the routine reply from the Prime Minister (Helen Clark followed by John Key).



The PM's stonewalling has become even more absurd now that the Snowden documents have shown that the GCSB is intercepting and collecting virtually all the communications in Pacific Island states.

When asked whether former GCSB head Bruce Ferguson was right that the agency does engage in mass communications data collection, the [PM said](#) he didn't know what Ferguson meant? He also said there was no obligation on the GCSB to inform any New Zealander that details about their private communications were being collected.

Everything the GCSB does is lawful, Key, claimed, forgetting the Privacy Act and forgetting his previous assurance that the GCSB Act does not allow for mass surveillance of New Zealanders

To me there doesn't seem any question that the GCSB is illegally engaged in the wholesale collection of the communications of any New Zealander visiting or living in a Pacific Island, or any New Zealander emailing or phoning someone in the Pacific).

The targeting of Pacific Island government communications (as mentioned in one [NSA document](#)) is also contrary to the Vienna convention, and not what a good neighbour should do. The rejoinder of Key apologists, that "all nations do it" is simply not true, and we would rightly be outraged if a foreign government was intercepting all of our government communications.

Parliamentary oversight of the GCSB is a joke. There is an Intelligence and Security Committee, which operates in secret and is now limited to National and Labour politicians. They are told very little as evidenced by the comments of a former Intelligence and Security Committee member, Peter Dunne, who has [expressed surprise](#) that the GCSB is collecting communications data wholesale and passing it on to the NSA.

Let's not accept the PM's obfuscations. Let's demand enough information to allow us to have a proper debate about what GCSB is doing in our name. And let us have better parliamentary oversight of the agency through an all-party select committee whose hearings are where possible in public, like other parliamentary committees.

Prime Minister Goes Back On His Word: Statement #1:

Key: I'll resign if GCSB conducts mass surveillance

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Prime Minister John Key says he and the head of GCSB would resign if the spy agency were found to have conducted mass surveillance.

He made the comment to reporters at Parliament in the light of assurances that the changes to the GCSB Act 2003 would not mean mass surveillance of New Zealanders. Asked if he and GCSB chief Ian Fletcher would resign if there were mass surveillance, he said yes.

"But the facts of life are it won't happen."

For that to happen, the GCSB would have to undertake illegal activity.

He clarified later saying "both" would resign if there was mass surveillance.

"If I wholesale blatantly flout the law as Prime Minister I'm never going to survive anyway."

The Government Communications Security Bureau and Related Legislation Amendment Bill will be debated in Parliament this afternoon.

Labour plans to move an amendment to try to get written into the law a policy statement by Mr Key last week in which he said he would not grant warrants to the GCSB to look at the content of New Zealanders communications under the cyber security function in the first instance, but if the agency detected a serious cyber intrusion, it would have to come back to him for a second warrant.

Labour would require the leave of the House to introduce such an amendment because the part it relates to has already been dealt with. Mr Key indicated that National would oppose leave for Labour to do that, saying it was not necessary.

Meanwhile, [now Ex] Justice Minister Judith Collins has confirmed that the police in the past have used the GCSB's specialist capability to intercept the communications of paedophiles.

Such assistance to other agencies has been on hold since September last year, pending the current bill passing which will unequivocally give the GCSB the legal power to spy on New Zealanders in certain circumstances.

Prime Minister Goes Back On His Word: Statement #2:

Key says he won't quit if mass collection of Kiwis' communications proved

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Prime Minister John Key says he would not resign if it is proved that the GCSB carries out mass collection of New Zealanders' communications.

Mr Key has always insisted he would quit if it was proved that New Zealanders were subject to mass surveillance. He insists the GCSB has told him that it is not capable of doing mass surveillance and is not legally allowed to do it.

Late last week former GCSB boss Sir Bruce Ferguson told Radio New Zealand that there was mass collection of New Zealanders' data as part of spying operations in the Pacific.

Sir Bruce also maintained however that it was legal as it was collected inadvertently and that the information on Kiwis was not used. When asked today about whether there was a difference between the terms "collection" and "surveillance", Mr Key responded by saying he was "sure the lawyers would tell you there is a difference".

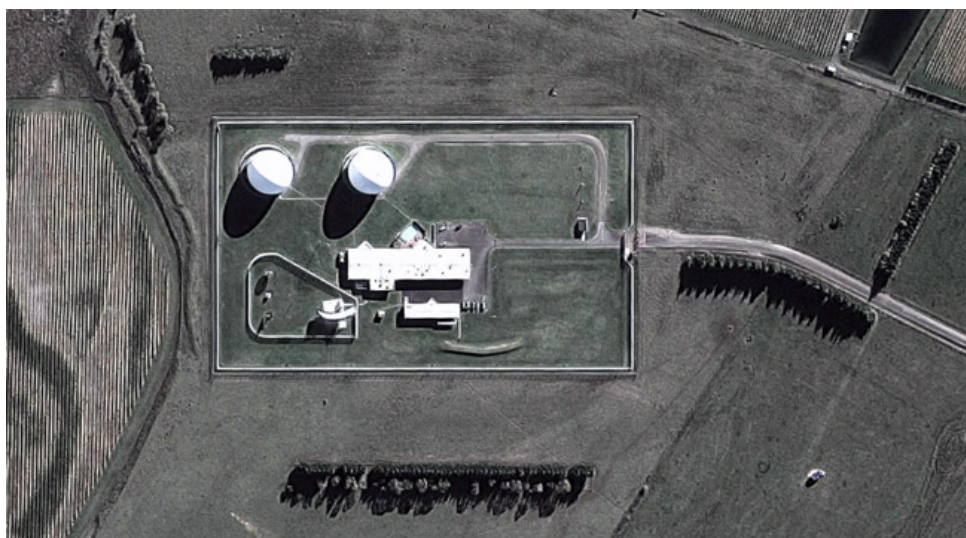
When pressed further, he refused to comment, saying he wasn't going to go into the GCSB's operational details.

Only the minister responsible for the GCSB would know for sure if that agency is conducting illegal mass surveillance. John Key is the minister responsible for the GCSB.

Documents Shine Light on Shadowy New Zealand Surveillance Base

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Near the heartland of New Zealand's renowned wine country, there is a place that visitors are not allowed to go. The peculiar large white domes that protrude from the earth in the Waihopai Valley are surrounded by razor wire and shrouded in secrecy.



But now, newly revealed documents from the National Security Agency whistleblower Edward Snowden shine a light on what is behind the security perimeter. The buildings there are crammed with sophisticated NSA spying technology, used by New Zealand to sweep up text messages, emails, phone calls, and other communications in bulk across the Asia-Pacific.

The documents, [revealed Saturday by the Sunday Star-Times](#) in collaboration with *The Intercept*, show how closely New Zealand has worked with the NSA to maintain surveillance coverage of the region. The files also offer an unprecedented insight into the Waihopai base, exposing how it's been integrated into a global eavesdropping network.

The spying station intercepts data from satellites, and is operated by Government Communications Security Bureau, or GCSB, New Zealand's equivalent of the NSA. Waihopai is part of a group of surveillance stations used by the so-called Five Eyes, an alliance that New Zealand is part of alongside the United States, the United Kingdom, Australia, and Canada.

The Snowden documents show that Waihopai relies heavily on NSA technology to conduct electronic eavesdropping. The NSA tools and systems at the base include LATENTTHREAT, which breaks the intercepted satellite signals down into individual communications; LEGALREPTILE, which collects text message and call metadata, showing who is contacting whom and when; SEMITONE, which monitors fax and voice messages; FALLOWHAUNT, which targets communications sent over small "VSAT" satellites; JUGGERNAUT, which processes intercepted calls from mobile phone networks (including voice, fax, data and text messages); LOPERS and SURFBOARD, both used to snoop on phone calls; and XKEYSCORE, a system used to gather intercepted Internet data, such as emails and details about people's online browsing habits.

According to the NSA documents, the Waihopai station is codenamed IRONSAND. Its primary targets are large international telecommunications satellites that provide communications to and from all of New Zealand's Pacific Island neighbors and other Asia-Pacific nations.

Waihopai's principal target in 2005, [a secret GCSB report](#) from three years ago shows, was a satellite positioned high above the Kiribati islands. This satellite was damaged and stopped operating after a power failure in mid-January 2005. Its work was transferred to another satellite, named IS-701, and later to IS-18, which is now Waihopai's main target.

GCSB is legally barred from spying on New Zealand citizens except under a warrant. But there is a secret exception that allows the agency to spy on the governments of islands populated by New Zealand citizens.

"Note: The governments of Cook Islands and Niue may be targeted, but not their citizens since they are entitled to hold New Zealand passports,"

- notes [a secret 2012 NSA document](#) on New Zealand's surveillance policies.

In practice, this means politicians and public servants can be targeted for surveillance on the islands even if they are New Zealand citizens.

Cook Island opposition leader William Heather [told](#) the *Sunday Star-Times* he was shocked to learn that the GCSB had spied on the island's residents.

"We are only a small dot in the Pacific," he said, questioning why New Zealand would "spy on the family."

On Wednesday, *The Intercept* and the *New Zealand Herald* [revealed](#) how the Waihopai base was being used to spy on communications across the Pacific Islands and share intercepted data in bulk with the NSA and the other Five Eyes.

Following the story, the Tongan prime minister said the spying was "a breach of trust," the New Zealand Labour party leader Andrew Little [called](#) the spying a "mass invasion of privacy," and the Greens [filed a legal complaint](#) against the surveillance, which the party's co-leader Russel Norman said amounted to "crimes under New Zealand law against entire countries."

New Zealand's prime minister John Key insisted that the revelations were wrong, but then refused to explain why, [telling](#) a press conference he had:

"no intention of telling you about how we do things."

Meanwhile, former GCSB chief Sir Bruce Ferguson [admitted](#) that "mass collection" of data was indeed being undertaken in the Pacific, and said it was "mission impossible" to eliminate New Zealanders' communications from the data being swept up.

Responding to the latest revelations on Saturday, GCSB declined to comment. In a statement issued to *The Intercept* and the *Sunday-Star Times*, the agency's acting director, Una Jagose, said:

"We do not comment on operational matters. Everything we do is authorized under legislation and subject to independent oversight."

NSA spokeswoman Vane' Vines said in a statement that the agency would not comment "on specific, alleged foreign intelligence activities."

Vines added: "The National Security Agency works with foreign partners to address a wide array of serious threats, including terrorist plots, the proliferation of weapons of mass destruction, and foreign aggression.

NSA's activities with foreign partners comply with U.S. laws and the applicable laws under which our partners operate."

10 George Orwell Quotes That Predicted The World Today

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"If you want a picture of the future, imagine a boot stamping on a human face - forever."



George Orwell, author of *1984*, had tremendous insight on how the global elite would dominate society, and he predicted the current political climate in America today as you'll see from this list by Justin King of [the Anti-Media](#):

George Orwell ranks among the most profound social critics of the modern era.

Some of his quotations, more than a half a century old, show the depth of understanding an enlightened mind can have about the future.

1) "In our age there is no such thing as 'keeping out of politics.' All issues are political issues, and politics itself is a mass of lies, evasions, folly, hatred and schizophrenia."

Though many in the modern age have the will to bury their head in the sand when it comes to political matters, nobody can only concern themselves with the proverbial pebble in their shoe. If one is successful in avoiding politics, at some point the effects of the political decisions they abstained from participating in will reach their front door. More often than not, by that time the person has already lost whatever whisper of a voice the government has allowed them.

2) "All the war-propaganda, all the screaming and lies and hatred, comes invariably from people who are not fighting."

Examining the nightly news in the run up to almost any military intervention will find scores of talking heads crying for blood to flow in the streets of some city the name of which they just learned to pronounce. Once the bullets start flying, those that clamored for war will still be safely on set bringing you up-to-the-minute coverage of the carnage while their stock in Raytheon climbs.

3) "War against a foreign country only happens when the moneyed classes think they are going to profit from it."

It's pretty self-explanatory and while it may be hard to swallow, it's certainly true. All it takes is a quick look at who benefited from the recent wars waged by the United States to see Orwell's quip take life.

4) "The very concept of objective truth is fading out of the world. Lies will pass into history."

My most prized books are a collection of history books from around the world. I have an Iraqi book that recounts the glory of Saddam Hussein's victory over the United States in 1991. I have books from three different nations claiming that one of their citizens was the first to fly. As some of the most powerful nations in the world agree to let certain facts be "forgotten," the trend will only get worse. History is written by the victor, and the victor will never be asked if he told the truth.

5) "In a time of deceit, telling the truth is a revolutionary act."

Even without commentary, the reader is probably picturing Edward Snowden or Chelsea Manning. The revolutions of the future will not be fought with bullets and explosives, but with little bits of data traveling around the world destroying the false narratives with which governments shackle their citizens.

6) "Journalism is printing what someone else does not want printed: everything else is public relations."

Make no mistake about it; if an article does not anger someone, it is nothing more than a public relations piece. Most of what passes for news today is little more than an official sounding advertisement for a product, service, or belief.

7) "In real life it is always the anvil that breaks the hammer..."

In every conflict, it is not the side that can inflict the most damage, but the side that can sustain the most damage that ultimately prevails. History is full of situations in which a military "won the battles but lost the war."

8) "The nationalist not only does not disapprove of atrocities committed by his own side, but he has a remarkable capacity for not even hearing about them."

Haditha. Panjwai. Maywand District. Mahmudiyah. These names probably don't ring a bell, but it is almost a certainty that the reader is aware of the brutality that occurred in Benghazi. The main difference is that in the first four incidents, those committing the acts of brutality were wearing an American flag on their shoulder.

9) "Threats to freedom of speech, writing and action, though often trivial in isolation, are cumulative in their effect and, unless checked, lead to a general disrespect for the rights of the citizen."

Everyday there is a new form of censorship or a new method of forcing people into self-censorship, and the people shrug it off because it only relates to a small minority. By the time the people realize their ability to express disapproval has been completely restricted, it may be too late. That brings us to Orwell's most haunting quote.

10) "If you want a picture of the future, imagine a boot stamping on a human face—forever."

Once the people are indoctrinated with nationalistic beliefs, and the infrastructure to protect them from some constantly-changing and ever-expanding definition of an enemy is in place, there is no ability for the people to regain liberty. By the time all of the pieces are in place, not only is opportunity to regain freedom lost, but the will to achieve freedom has also evaporated. The reader will truly love Big Brother.

**Key Must Explain How GCSB Spying On Citizens Is Lawful
+ Pacific Action Needed Against Spy Net**

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John Key needs to come clean with New Zealanders and explain how it is lawful for the Government Communications Security Bureau (GCSB) to spy, without a warrant, on New Zealand citizens who are part of the governments of the Cook Islands and Niue, said the Green Party today.

Related: [NSA Global Spy Stations Revealed: 'Sniff It All, Collect It All, Know It All, Process It All, Exploit It All'](#)



Documentation revealed today by the Sunday Star Times show that the GCSB's targeting rules include New Zealand citizens are part of the governments of the Cook Islands and Niue.

Key must explain how GCSB spying on citizens is lawful

"The documents show the GCSB knew spying on New Zealanders from the Cook Island and Niue was illegal, but they decided to ignore this anyway," said Green Party Co-leader Dr Russel Norman.

"What was the justification for spying on people when the GCSB knew it was illegal?"

"Is John Key saying that New Zealanders in the Cook Islands and Niue are second class citizens who do not deserve the protection of our spy laws?"

"The facts show that there has been mass illegal spying on New Zealanders in the Pacific and John Key needs to explain why it was done."

"This spying agenda accelerated under his leadership, and he needs to tell the public if New Zealand, why he allowed something so blatantly illegal to occur."

"It is not good enough to refuse to engage with the issue as John Key has been doing."

"Every other world leader has fronted and offered an explanation; John Key, on the other hand, thinks he is above explaining this mess to New Zealanders."

"The Green Party hopes the Inspector General of Intelligence and Security will be able to provide some answers to

this debacle following our request to her to start an inquiry into the matter," said Dr Norman."

Pacific Action Needed Against Spy Net - PFF

Pacific leaders need to take action against wholesale spying by foreign powers, warns the Pacific Freedom Forum.

"Freedom of speech includes secure, private communications," says PFF Chair Titi Gabi.

"This is true for not just journalists and their sources, but also for political leaders, community leaders, activists and advocates."

This week's news about the "full take" spying delivers details promised last year by investigative journalist Glenn Greenwald, based on documents leaked by former NSA contractor, Edward Snowden.

Ten Pacific countries are listed in media reports as being targets of spying by New Zealand's GCSB, which gives the NSA full access - and control - over the data.

The countries are given as Tuvalu, Nauru, Kiribati and Samoa, Vanuatu, the Solomon Islands, New Caledonia, Fiji, Tonga and French Polynesia.

However another investigative journalist, Nick Hager, was quoted as saying the spying basically involves "all" Pacific Island countries.

PFF co-Chair Monica Miller said that concerns about mass surveillance must now extend to the highest levels of power in the Pacific.

"We are all familiar with concerns about the chilling effects on freedoms of speech of laws and threats from various governments.

But now its the turn of the public to be concerned about those effects on their own governments."

PFF notes questions of outright illegality under New Zealand law given the fact that Niue and the Cook Islands people are New Zealand citizens by birthright.

New Zealand got support from the entire Pacific in its campaign for a seat on the United Nations Security Council, campaigning with the slogan "New Zealand stands up for small states".

PFF says the spying highlights the need for more regional awareness and action on cyber security.

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